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SUMMARY.

The King and Queen will embark at Marseilles in the middle of April for a cruise in the Mediterranean.

Admiral Lord Charles Beresford, who has vacated command of the Channel Fleet, received tremendous ovations at Portsmouth and London.

The Imperial Government has accepted the offer of New Zealand to defray the cost of a Dreadnought.

The "Times" is glad at the acceptance of the patriotic offer being given in the same spirit as that which prompted it.

The journal adds that there is no reason why the battleship should not be laid down as soon as arrangements can be made.

A movement is on foot to send Sir Joseph Ward a memorial signed by members of all parties, conveying the thanks of Parliament.

Mr. Haldane, at the National Liberal Club, advised an avoidance of undignified scares, but present safety, he added, did not answer for future safety.

He urged the maintenance of a large supremacy over the naval force of any other country.

The "Times" says it should be plain to England that Germany is determined to complete the construction of vessels rapidly.

The second reading of the German Navy estimates was voted by the Reichstag without debate—a course without precedent.

Canada is becoming growingly stirred by the example of Australia and New Zealand.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier is considering the question of offering a contribution to the Navy.

The New York "Sun" says that Americans are acutely involved in any disaster to England, and are not blind to their own interests.

Mr. Asquith announced that provision would be made in the Estimates for aerial navigation.

There have been 125 deaths in London from influenza during the past week.

China has invited Japan to refer the disputes in respect to the administration of Manchuria to the Hague Tribunal.

A bill has been introduced in the House of Commons to establish, in certain trades, boards empowered to fix minimum standard wages.

Lord Strathcona has made a gift of £50,000 for the encouragement of physical and military training in Public schools in Canada.

The Egyptian Government is reviving the Press Law of 1881, owing to the virulence of a section of the Arabic press.

Details of the Government compromise show that the postal strikers in Paris virtually obtained everything they asked for.

Tributes by scientists to the far-reaching importance of the discoveries by Lieutenant Shackleton are world-wide.

The Premier of Hungary made a warlike speech in the Chamber of Deputies at Budapest.

He will confer with Baron von Aehrenthal regarding the Note to Servia.

Great enthusiasm prevailed at the public meeting held in the basement of the Town Hall last night to discuss the naval situation.

Between 3000 and 4000 persons were present, and the Lord Mayor presided.

Resolutions were adopted in favour of the Commonwealth taking an active share in the naval defence of the Empire, and in favour of presenting a Dreadnought to England.

A wire from the Premier was read, expressing the opinion that the Dreadnought proposal was inappropriate.

He urged that the Commonwealth should be asked to increase the naval subsidy, and renew the naval agreement.

The public meeting in the Melbourne Town Hall was a very enthusiastic gathering. Mr. Fisher's attitude was condemned.

The Nimrod has arrived at Lyttelton. Professor David left for Wellington to catch the Maheno for Sydney.

He gives interesting details of the work done by the expedition in the Antarctic.

Professor David says his investigations have added to the world's knowledge of the origin of the Great Ice Barrier.

"There can be very little doubt now," he remarks, "that the Great Ice Barrier was formed partly by glacier ice and partly by snow."

Mrs. Molyneux Parkes died suddenly at her residence at Neutral Bay yesterday afternoon.

The Auckland City Council passed a resolution congratulating the Government on its patriotic action in offering a battleship to Great Britain.

The adoption of compulsory military training within the Dominion was urged.

The Prime Minister states that his attitude would not be altered by the acceptance of New Zealand's offer by England.

"The action of the Government is part of a well-considered policy which we intend to carry out," remarked Mr. Fisher yesterday.

The Perth Chamber of Commerce decided by a large majority not to discuss the question of presenting a Dreadnought to England.

Speaking at Forster, Mr. Wade emphasised the importance of attracting immigrants to New South Wales.

News has been received of the death at Folkestone of Mr. J. H. Geddes, who was largely identified with the meat export trade.

Dr. C. Fawsitt, professor of chemistry in the Sydney University, advocates special teaching in organic chemistry.

There was, he added, an enormous field of Australian research untouched—the chemistry of Australian plant life.

A wages board has been constituted for City Council employees engaged as labourers.

The Premier, who is visiting the North Coast districts, officially opened the Kempsey show yesterday.

Mr. Waddell opened the Blayney show on Wednesday.

Before the Postal Commission yesterday a witness said the cables were used almost solely by commercial firms.

If the cable rates were lowered the service, it was considered, would have to be subsidised.

A deputation protested to the Minister for Customs against the importation of dynamite made by black labour in South Africa.

Mr. Tudor said the tariff did not enable him to discriminate between goods made by black or white labour.

The two cables laid for the Commonwealth between Tasmania and Victoria have been tested, with satisfactory results.

The conference of the Australian Natives' Association adopted a resolution congratulating Lieutenant Shackleton upon the success of his expedition.

The Lord Mayor informed a deputation yesterday that the new markets in Engine-street would be the best in the world.

Fish captured by the trawler Endeavour is to be supplied to hospitals and charitable institutions free of charge.

The annual meeting of the Queen Victoria Homes for Consumptives was held at the Town Hall yesterday.

The report showed that good work had been done during the year, although the period ended with a deficit of between £1500 and £1600.

Sir Philip Sydney Jones, who presided, advocated the compulsory notification of consumption.

It is reported that ticks have been discovered amongst cattle at Kyogle.

Mr. F. S. Wallis, M.L.C., has accepted the office of Chief Secretary in the South Australian Cabinet.

There was an attractive display at the exhibition of the Horticultural Society's show, in the Town Hall, yesterday.

Cactus dahlias and orchids were a prominent feature of the show.

There was a large penning of sheep at Homebush yesterday, and values were lower for medium and useful quality.

Upwards of 1152 cattle were yarded. Prices improved 10s to 15s per head.

There was an easier feeling in copper and gold stocks in the Mining market. Silver shares were also weaker.

Some sales of wheat were made yesterday at the equivalent of 4s 9½d at Sydney, the highest price recorded this season.

The shade temperature yesterday reached 83.5, the highest reading since January 4.

To-day's Forecast.—Cool westerly to southwesterly change spreading over the State, dispelling the late warm conditions northwards.

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For STRAHAN, REGATTA POINT, DEVONPORT, BURNIE, and STANLEY—
KAKAPO, about TUESDAY, March 30.

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TOFUA (Twin-screw), TUESDAY, March 30, 4 p.m.
For TONGA (Nukualofa, Haapai, Vavau), SAMOA (Apia), FIJI, thence to SYDNEY—
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For LAUNCESTON—
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From LAUNCESTON—
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MELBOURNE, ADELAIDE, ALBANY, FREMANTLE. — KANOWNA, noon, SATURDAY, April 17th.

BRISBANE, (Transhipping at Brisbane for Maryborough, Bundaberg, and Gladstone), ROCKHAMPTON (Wharf). — BURWAH, 5 p.m., TUESDAY, March 30th (cargo only). ALLINGA, 5 p.m., TUESDAY, April 6th.

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IN BANKRUPTCY.
NOTICE TO CREDITORS.
AN ACCOUNT with plan of distribution in the undermentioned estate, showing dividend as specified, is now filed in the office of the Registrar in Bankruptcy, Citizens'-chambers, Moore-street, Sydney, for the inspection of persons interested; and notice is hereby given that such Account and Plan will be submitted to the Court for confirmation on TUESDAY, 13th APRIL, 1909, at 11 a.m., if not previously objected to:—
HENRY MOYSE, of Petersham, Post and Telegraph Master at Redfern (No. 17,483), a second account and first plan of distribution, showing payment of a dividend of ninepence nineteen twenty-fourths of a penny in the £ on all proved concurrent debts.
WILLIAM HARRINGTON PALMER, Official Assignee.
47 Elizabeth-street, Sydney, 23rd March, 1909.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—In Bankruptcy.—NOTICE is hereby given that the Single MEETING of Creditors in the following matter will be held at the Court, Citizens'-chambers, Moore-street, Sydney, on the 7th day of April, at 10 a.m., or as soon after as the course of business will permit. To entitle a Creditor to vote thereat his proof must be lodged with the Registrar in Bankruptcy not later than the third day of April:—Re R. A. H. MARTIN (No. 16625), of Dubbo, Machinery Agent, formerly of Bundale, Storekeeper. F. H. SALUSBURY, Registrar in Bankruptcy. Mr. W. H. PALMER, Official Assignee.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—In Bankruptcy.—NOTICE is hereby given that the Single MEETING of Creditors in the following matter will be held at the Court, Citizens'-chambers, Moore-street, Sydney, on the 6th day of April, at 10 a.m., or as soon after as the course of business will permit. To entitle a Creditor to vote thereat his proof must be lodged with the Registrar in Bankruptcy not later than the first day of April:—Re SAMUEL BOX (No. 16636), of No. 4 Adelaide-street, Woollahra, Builder. F. H. SALUSBURY, Registrar in Bankruptcy. Mr. F. W. LLOYD, Official Assignee. (4c-38)

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of MARGARET ELLEN CLAY, late of Narrabri, in the State of New South Wales, Married Woman, deceased, intestate.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to CHARLES HENRY CLAY, the Widower of the said deceased, and that the usual Administration Bond may be dispensed with; and all Creditors and other persons having any debt or claim upon the Estate of the said deceased are hereby required to send in particulars of such debt or claims to the undersigned before the expiration of the said fourteen days; and all notices may be served on the undersigned. JOHN MATTHEW McDONALD, Proctor for Applicant, Narrabri. By BEEHAG and SIMPSON, 64 Elizabeth-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of THOMAS HERBERT, late of Sydney, in the State of New South Wales, Grazier, deceased.—NOTICE is hereby given that the Trustees' Final Accounts and Plan of Distribution in the above Estate have this day been filed in my office, Chancery-square, King-street, Sydney; and all persons having any claim on the said Estate or being otherwise interested therein are hereby required to come in before me at my said office on or before the seventh day of May next at eleven-thirty o'clock in the forenoon and inspect the same, and if they shall think fit object thereto; otherwise if the said accounts be not objected to the same will be passed according to law. And notice is also hereby given that on the allowance of the said accounts by the said Court commission will be applied for by D'ARCY HUBERT BUCKNELL, one of the said Trustees. Dated this twenty-fifth day of March, A.D. 1909. T. W. GARRETT (L.S.), Registrar. GEO. H. TURNER, Solicitor, 58 Hunter-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of THOMAS GORD CHIVELL, late of Corowa, in the State of New South Wales, Retired Wheelwright, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to JOHN CHIVELL, of Corowa aforesaid, Wheelwright, and THOMAS CHIVELL, of the same place, Blacksmith, the Executors named in the said will. And all notices may be served at the Office of the undersigned, to whom all Creditors are requested to send particulars of their claims. F. A. CURRIE, Proctor for the Executors, Sanger-street, Corowa. By his Agents, HOUSTON and CO., Solicitors, 10 O'Connell-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate and Effects of JOSEPH CHARLES HIBEL, late of Bermagui, in the State of New South Wales, Labourer, deceased, intestate.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to NELLIE ANNE HALL, Married Woman, lately the Widow of the said deceased. Creditors, if any, are requested to send in their claims to the undersigned before the expiration of the said fourteen days, and all notices may be served at the office of H. M. BLOMFIELD, Proctor for the Applicant, Carp-street, Bega. By his Agent, DAVID M. MYERS, 58 Hunter-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of EDWARD JOHN LUMLEY, late of Narrabri, in the State of New South Wales, Storekeeper, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to MARCELLA LUMLEY, the Executrix named in the said Will; and all notices may be served on the undersigned. JOHN MATTHEW McDONALD, Proctor for Executrix, Narrabri. By BEEHAG and SIMPSON, 64 Elizabeth-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of THOMAS MUDGE, late of North Broken Hill, in the State of New South Wales, Miner, deceased.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Probate of the last Will of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to SUSAN MUDGE, the Executor named in the said Will; and all notices are to be served at the undermentioned address. SUSAN MUDGE, North Broken Hill. Postal Address: General Post Office, Broken Hill.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Will of SAMUEL McCARDEL, late of 28 Greville-street, Prahran, in the State of Victoria, Gentleman, deceased. Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that the Probate granted by the Supreme Court of Victoria in respect of the above Estate may be sealed with the seal of this Court, and all notices may be served on HERBERT RICHARDSON CLARK, Solicitor, 50 Elizabeth-street, Sydney.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF NEW SOUTH WALES.—Probate Jurisdiction.—In the Estate of EDMOND HAYES, late of 41 North-street, Leichhardt, in the State of New South Wales, Gentleman, deceased, intestate.—Application will be made after fourteen days from the publication hereof that Administration of the Estate of the abovenamed deceased may be granted to JAMES HAYES, the Son of the said deceased; and all notices may be served on the applicant at 100 Cleveland-street, Sydney.

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To Elect New Members.
To receive the Annual Report of the Board of Management and the Honorary Treasurer.
To Elect Officebearers for the ensuing year.
The Chair will be taken by the President,
J. RUSSELL FRENCH, Esq.,
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G. M. ALLARD, Secretary.

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ALLEN TAYLOR, Lord Mayor,
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The Committee request the pleasure of the company of any friends who may be interested.
Items will be rendered by the Glee Club, composed of Blind Workers, Vocal Duets, Organ and Pianoforte Solos by the Blind.
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Hon. Secretary.

A PUBLIC MEETING will be held at Little Coogee, SATURDAY, 27th March, at 4 p.m., in favour of a Tramway from Darley-road to Little Coogee. The Mayor of Randwick will preside. D. Storey, M.L.A., and others will address the meeting.

FRIENDLY SOCIETIES' ASSOCIATION OF N.S.W.—The Annual Meeting of the above will be held in the I.O.O.F. Temple, 136 Elizabeth-st, TO-NIGHT, commencing 8 sharp. JNO. C. HUMPHREY, Hon. Sec.

MASONIC.—CAMBRIAN LODGE OF AUSTRALIA, 656 E.C., meets FIRST WEDNESDAY IN MONTH at STANDARD THEATRE, Castlereagh-street, Sydney. GEO. ROBINSON, P.M., Hon. Sec.

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By Order.
G. EDMUND SPARK, Town Clerk of Ashfield.
Council's Office, Town Hall, Liverpool road, Ashfield, 25th March, 1909.

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BOSTOCK-SHANLEY.—Hotel, Tooth's, lease 5 years, rent £2 2s, 5 x 36's week, cash £500.

BOSTOCK-SHANLEY.—Beautiful little Coun. House, well fur., padds., 1. 10 y., r. £1 10s, free, £250.

BOSTOCK-SHANLEY.—Hotel, within 20 miles Syd., perp. l., rt. £3 10s, l. £65, no loan, £1250 c.

NEWSAGENCIES, etc., real good bus., 3000, 4000, 7000 papers, £250, £280, £350. Hall, 38 Eliz.-st.

MIXED BUSINESS, near 3 large schools, gd. locality, same hands 3yrs., £40. Hall, 38 Eliz.-st.

MIXED Business, opp. large school, good dwell., corner shop, same hands 3yrs., £25. Hall, 38 Eliz.-st.

HAM and BEEF BUS., well stocked, nice pos., good dwell., no oppos., £85. Hall's Agency, 38 Eliz.-st.

IVAN HENRY.—Hotel, city, 7 x 54's Tooth's beer weekly, rent £4 10s, £850. 134 Pitt-st.

IVAN HENRY.—Hotel, George-st, lease 8 years, rent £3 2s 6d, bar trade £30 wk., £1000. 134 Pitt-st.

IVAN HENRY.—Hotel, suburban railway junction, lease 15 years, no opposition, £3500. 134 Pitt-st.

IVAN HENRY.—Hotel, city, free house, lease 10 years, price £800, terms. 134 Pitt-st.

IVAN HENRY.—Hotel, at shipping, rent £4 10s, lease 5 years, price £150, good opening. 134 Pitt-st.

CHEMIST and Dentist Bus., spl. pos., city, est. 25 y., easy rent, 1. lse., £350. I. Henry, 134 Pitt-st.

TEA and REFRESHMENT ROOMS, tram junction, 5 streets, elaborately fitted, large dwelling, easy rent, profits £5 weekly, selling through illness, a real bargain, £250 weekly, quick. Ivan Henry, 134 Pitt-st.

DAIRY, 30 cows, 5 horses, 3 carts, 2 vans, 70 gals. daily at 5d, land, 6-rmd. dwel., £450. 134 Pitt-st.

WINE and Confec., up to date, good profits, spl. ch., residence, etc., quick. Ivan Henry, 134 Pitt-st.

WANTED, Carrier's or Contractor's Turnout, Lorries, Horses, etc., quick. I. Henry, 134 Pitt-st.

HOTEL, TOOTH'S, suburban, nicely situated, good dwelling, wants working up, a snap, present trade £20, rent £2 10s, price only £130. PHILLIPS, Challis House.

HOTEL, marine suburb, commanding position, lease 10 years, rent £4, trade £50, free house, urgent reasons for selling, price only £900.
PHILLIPS, Challis House.

CONFECTIONERY, subs., trade £15 wk., beautifully fitted, very nice home, near large school, £3 week clear profit, lady retiring from bus., full price £90.
PHILLIPS, Challis House, opp. G.P.O.

STATIONERY, city, Pitt-st, very fine shop, present owners do not understand bus., stock at valuation, rent only £2, sub-newsagency and periodicals, price only £130. PHILLIPS, Challis House, opp. G.P.O.

O. L. WILLIAMS, 71 Elizabeth-st.—Restaurant, 2 £15 per wk., price £110, horse and trap.

HAIRDRESSING and Tobacconist, fine commanding suburban corner, no opposition, rent 25s, shop trade £9, saloon £4; 3 chairs, price £50. This is the biz outside of Sydney. O. L. Williams, 71 Eliz. st.

STATIONERY and Fancy Goods, city, with manufacturing business, showing £6 to £8 per wk., clear profit; owner to effect a quick sale will sell both at valtn., about £350. O. L. Williams, 71 Eliz.-st.

RESTAURANT, city, rent 25s, fine dining rm., with good residence, trade £25 to £30, price £120, including 6 rms. of furniture, worth about £70, a gift.
O. L. WILLIAMS, 71 Elizabeth-street.

GROCERY, rent 19s, 3 rms., trade £30, well stkd., price £70. 71 Elizabeth-st.

O. L. WILLIAMS, 71 Elizabeth-st.—Confectionery and Tea Rooms, nice business for lady, cheap.

FOR SALE BY TENDER.
THE GREAT NORTHERN HOTEL, NEWCASTLE, N.S.W.
Mr. Foster, the Proprietor of this well-known and popular hostelry, has decided for private reasons to offer for SALE by TENDER the Lease, License, Goodwill, and Furniture, as a going concern. The stock of wines and spirits, as well as groceries and stores, to be bought at invoice price. The lease has 5 years 7 months to run at an annual rental of one thousand and eight pounds from the first of April next. This first-class Residential Hotel is well known throughout the Commonwealth and abroad, and during last year accommodated seven thousand five hundred guests, and each licensee who has been fortunate enough to secure this business has made a fortune. Tenders, addressed to Mr. LUBECK, c.o. Messrs. SANDEMAN, Pitt-street, Sydney, and marked "Tender," will be received up to Monday, the 26th April. The highest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

HAND LAUNDRY for Sale, at once, bargain, no offer refused. Prompt, Herald.

MANLY.—RESTAURANT BUSINESS, on the Corso. Bamford and Holtermann, 114A Pitt-st.

CHEAP.—Dentist's Cabinet, £9; Forceps, Chap. Chemist's Fitts., Nests Drs., etc. Elliott's, 325 Geo.-st.

FOR SALE, MILLINERY BUSINESS, good reasons for selling. Apply 323 Darling-st, Balmain.

FOR Sale, Fruit, Vegetables, Confectionery Business, cheap, a living in it. 45 P'matta-rd, Annandale.

A FIRST-CLASS FRUIT and CONFECTIONERY, TEA ROOMS BUSINESS, city, good income, owner leaving State. Price £100.
E. E. ORR and CO., 88 Pitt-st, city.

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AUCTION SALES.

AUCTION TO-MORROW, AT 3.

THIS SATURDAY. THIS SATURDAY. THIS SATURDAY. THIS SATURDAY.

It's long since such an opportunity as this occurred. Land is not easy to get hold of at Randwick. Seldom, indeed, is it that a number of such choice sites there are put on the market to be auctioned. Not only are these 12 comprising the Central Estate to be offered at auction, but they will be sold, and sold to the highest bidder, if anything near their value be offered.

THIS SATURDAY. THIS SATURDAY. THIS SATURDAY. THIS SATURDAY.

TWO MINUTES ELECTRIC TRAM.

THIS SATURDAY. THIS SATURDAY. THIS SATURDAY. THIS SATURDAY.

Look at the position. If you know Randwick, it will be sufficient for us to say, "Central Estate is between Avoca-street and Perouse-road, close up to St. Paul's-street, and fronting Barker-street." If you don't know Randwick, let us tell you that the electric tram is an easy two minutes' walk from the land, superior houses are around it, and it is quite close to the homes of some of Sydney's most fashionable and nicest people.

THIS SATURDAY. THIS SATURDAY. THIS SATURDAY. THIS SATURDAY.

IN THE CENTRE OF RANDWICK.

THIS SATURDAY. THIS SATURDAY. THIS SATURDAY. THIS SATURDAY.

Every possible convenience will be found on Central Estate. The gas is there, so are water and sewerage. The streets are well lighted, and it is not necessary to go out of Randwick for anything the home may require. In addition to this, one of the most popular surfing beaches around Sydney, namely Coogee, is only a penny tram ride from the land for sale.

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GAS, WATER, AND SEWERAGE.

THIS SATURDAY. THIS SATURDAY. THIS SATURDAY. THIS SATURDAY.

Then, added to these advantages, the Auctioneers have placed a building restriction of £250 on the allotments, so that purchasers, although they may please themselves as to whether they build or not, must, in the event of doing so, put up a dwelling of not less than that amount. Remember, the auction is To-morrow, Saturday, March 27, on the ground, at 3, and the owners are anxious to sell.

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THIRTEEN LEVEL ALLOTMENTS.

TERMS: £5 DEPOSIT, AND 60 EQUAL MONTHLY PAYMENTS.
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Plans and further information may be obtained from

ARTHUR RICKARD AND CO., LTD.,
84B PITT-STREET,
AUCTIONEERS AND REALTY SPECIALISTS.

MOSMAN.
MOSMAN HEIGHTS ESTATE.
GREAT CONTINUATION SALE.
TO-MORROW, SATURDAY.

CITY WATER, GAS, AND METAL ROADS.
RESIDENCES ADJOINING THE ESTATE ARE OF THE BEST CLASS.
LEVEL LAND, WITH DARK LOAMY SOIL.
EXTENSIVE VIEWS OF HARBOUR AND OCEAN, OVERLOOKING PEARL BAY, AND ONLY 4 MINUTES FROM SPIT BATHS. TWO MINUTES FROM SPIT-ROAD TRAM.

LIBERAL TERMS.

SALE ON THE GROUND,

TO-MORROW (SATURDAY) AFTERNOON.

RICHARDSON AND WRENCH, LTD., } IN
RICHARDSON AND CO., 107 Pitt-st. } CONJUNCTION.

NORTH ANNANDALE — NORTH ANNANDALE.

GRAND BUILDING LAND. — ONLY 1d FROM CITY.

"KENTVILLE ESTATE"

THE SITE IS WELL KNOWN, having been occupied by that VENERABLE GENTLEMAN, the late JOHN YOUNG, who for many years entertained visitors, and particularly BOWLERS, from "ALL PARTS OF THE WORLD" on this HISTORIC SPOT.

TRAM FARE, ONE PENNY TO THE CITY.

TRAM RIGHT ON THE ESTATE,

THE LAST SUBDIVISION BLOCK WITHIN A PENNY TRAM FARE OF THE CITY.

AUCTION SALE, ON THE GROUND,

TO-MORROW, AT 3 P.M.

A large sum of money has been spent in the FORMATION of ROADS, KERBING, AND GUTTERING, STONE WALL AND IRON RAILING ROUND THE ESTATE, so that Buyers have nothing to worry about. EVERYTHING HAS BEEN DONE.

TITLE TORRENS. TERMS: 20 per cent. Deposit, and Balance by eight equal quarterly payments, at 5 per cent. per annum.

LITHOS. ON APPLICATION.

HUGH DUFF AND CO.,
AUCTIONEERS, 283 GEORGE-STREET.

SHENSTONE and SON, 113 Pitt-street, Agents for the Estate.

TO-MORROW,
AT
3.30 P.M.

SEASIDE SITES AT BONDI.

AQUARIUM HEIGHTS ESTATE.

Immediately adjoining the main entrance to Wonderland City, overlooking Tamarama Beach, and only one stop from Bondi Beach and Baths, etc.

The Allotments have frontages to the Bondi Tram Line, Carlisle and Silva streets, by great Depths, extending to lane at rear.

FOR SALE BY AUCTION ON THE GROUND ON

TO-MORROW AFTERNOON, AT 3.30.

TITLE TORRENS. TERMS: Only 10 per cent. Deposit, Balance at 5 per cent.
LITHOS. NOW READY, and may be had on application to the Auctioneers.

ALLDIS AND CO., LTD., AUCTIONEERS, BONDI JUNCTION.

PARK ESTATE, NORTH BOTANY.

CLEARANCE SALE, TO-MORROW, ON THE GROUND, AT 3 P.M.,

BOTANY-ROAD, OPPOSITE ASCOT RACECOURSE.

ATTEND THE CLEARING SALE AND SECURE A SPLENDID BUILDING BLOCK AT YOUR OWN PRICE AND ON YOUR OWN TERMS.

TORRENS TITLE. RAINE AND HORNE, 88 PITT-STREET.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY,

ORDER OF SALE.

CITY, SUBURBAN, AND COUNTRY PROPERTIES to be SOLD BY PUBLIC AUCTION, at the ROOMS, PITT-STREET, at 11.30 A.M. THIS DAY (FRIDAY).

SURRY HILLS.—Three Houses, Nos. 97 to 101 Fitzroy-street, near Bowling-street, Moore Park.
PYRMONT.—House, No. 52 Mill-street, waters of Jones Bay. Executors' Sale.
MOSMAN.—Three Shops and Dwellings, Military-road, between Spit and Mandelong roads.
MOSMAN.—Cottage, "Brooklyn," and Land, corner of Hale-road and Erith-street.
STRATHFIELD.—Cottage Residence, Wyirreware, Jersey-road (H. P. Steel's), near Boulevard.
COOGEE.—Splendid Block Land, 1 acre, Dundas, Perouse and Rainbow streets.
WAVERLEY.—Block of Land, Newland and Rattray streets, near to Oxford-street.
MANLY.—Allotment, Wood-street, near Marshall-street.
MARRICKVILLE, near Enmore.—House, Belvedere, and Cottage, Valere, Scouller-street. Executors' Sale.
DITTO.—Allotment, Pritchard-street, with shed thereon. Trustees' Sale.
RICHMOND.—Clarendon Park, of 623 acres, with House and all Improvements thereon. Trustees' Sale.
NEAR RICHMOND.—The Londonderry Paddock, 330 acres, next the Common. Trustees' Sale.
EPPING.—Two Blocks, Carlingford-road and Railway-street, near station. Trustees' Sale.
DITTO.—Allotment, Cambridge-street. Trustees' Sale.
DITTO.—Block, 1a 2r 16p, Oxford and Surrey streets, with stabling thereon. Trustees' Sale.
DITTO.—Block, 1a 11½p, Cambridge-street. Fenced. Trustees' Sale.
DITTO.—Allotment, Somerset-street, between Railway and Norfolk streets. Trustees' Sale.
HURSTVILLE.—W.B. Cottage, Garthowen, Dora-street.
BOTANY.—Shop and Dwelling, Botany-road, near Wilson-street. Mortgagees' Sale.
BLACKTOWN.—4 acres, Tulloch-street, off Richmond-road. Trustees' Sale.
PICTON, UPPER.—2½ acres, Hill and Bunker streets. Trustees' Sale.
WENTWORTH FALLS.—1 acre, Pritchard-street, village of Brasfort. Trustees' Sale.
GOSFORD, near.—18 acres, Narrara Creek and Adam-street, Wyoming Estate.
ROOKWOOD.—1a 2r, James-street. Executors' Sale.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH, LTD.

ASK your Grocer for "PICK-ME-UP" Sauce, Absolutely the BEST SAUCE on the Market.

COOGEE FOR VIEWS.
BUY AT COOGEE GLEN ESTATE,
TO-MORROW, SATURDAY.
HARDIE and GORMAN and W. DAY, Auctioneers.

CASTLEREAGH-STREET,
between
AUSTRALIA HOTEL and KING-STREET.

THE LEASE of PREMISES Nos. 49, 49A, and 49½ CASTLEREAGH-STREET, term 8 YEARS and 9 MONTHS to run, at a rental of £250 per annum.
THE RENTS RECEIVED from the tenants amount to £578 per annum.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH, Ltd., will sell by Auction, at the Rooms, on FRIDAY, 2nd APRIL, at 11.30 a.m.,
The above-described Lease of City Property.
*** Full particulars of rents and outgoings on view at the rooms. (4406)

INTENDING BUYERS OF BRINKWORTH VILLA, QUEEN'S-ROAD, WESTMEAD STATION.

Kindly remember this splendid Cottage and improved grounds (about ½ acres) will be offered at auction

TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, 3 P.M.,
AT THE BURWOOD SALEROOMS,
by the Auctioneers and Agents for Owner.

STRONGMAN, WATSON, AND HAWKINS. Fuller particulars appeared last Wednesday and Saturday's morning papers, or can be obtained on personal application to above firm.

BUILDING MATERIALS.
A quantity of Select Material, from alterations at 120 NORTON-STREET, LEICHHARDT,
opp. Public School,
will be sold BY PUBLIC AUCTION,
TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, at 3 SHARP.
Front Door Opening, comp., Embos. Glass Panels, Boxfr., Sashes, Ven. Blinds, Iron Column, Frieze, 38ft Dograil Fence, Stone Coping, equal to new, FOLDING DOORS, 8ft 6in x 8ft 6in; Marble Mantel, Grate.
Joists, Flooring, Ver. Tiles, Panel Door, etc., etc.
A. BARNETT AND PUGH have been instructed to sell the above.

PEARSON v YOUNG.

THE BAILIFF will sell, under a Writ of Fi Fa, THIS DAY, at noon, a Sideboard, a Bedstead, and a Carpet, at KIA ORA, PENKIVIL-STREET, BONDI, unless the amount of Writ, and costs, be not sooner paid.

J. L. STOKES, Bailiff.

ASK your Grocer for "PICK-ME-UP" Sauce, Absolutely the BEST SAUCE on the Market.

TO-MORROW, Rickard's Auction, Randwick, Big Lots, Close Tram, Easy Terms. Plans, 84B Pitt-st.

COOGEE FOR VIEWS.
BUY AT COOGEE GLEN ESTATE,
TO-MORROW, SATURDAY.
HARDIE and GORMAN and W. DAY, Auctioneers.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, 26th MARCH,

AT 11 O'CLOCK A.M.,
at
THE COMMODIOUS AUCTION ROOMS AND GALLERIES
of
JAMES R. LAWSON AND LITTLE,
128 and 130 PITT-STREET, NEAR KING-STREET.

VALUABLE FURNITURE
AND
COSTLY HOUSEHOLD APPOINTMENTS,
Under instructions from
S. DALY, ESQ.,
in consequence of relinquishing housekeeping.
REMOVED FROM HIS RESIDENCE,
WARNOCK HALL,
EDWARD-STREET, BONDI,
to the Rooms for convenience of Buyers.
Also,
FOR AND ON ACCOUNT OF SUNDRY OTHER INTERESTS,
INCLUDING
EBENEZER MACDONALD, ESQ.,
Removed from
KAMILAROI, DARLING POINT.
COMPRISING
LARGE SUITE ENGRAVED TABLE GLASS,
HAND-PAINTED LIMOGES DINNER SERVICE,
DOULTON TEA SET.
QUANTITY OF ELECTROPLATED TABLE APPOINTMENTS,
VALUABLE WATERCOLOUR DRAWINGS,
OIL PAINTINGS, AND OLD ENGRAVINGS.
COMMODIOUS ENGLISH OAK SIDEBOARD,
fitted with large plateglass mirrors, brackets, and finely carved pediment; size, 7ft.
ENGLISH WALNUT SIDEBOARD; Size, 5ft.
AMERICAN WALNUT SIDEBOARD; Size, 6ft.
Arranged with Cabinet Back, and constructed in the best possible manner.
FUMED OAK SIDEBOARD; Size, 5ft.

SEVERAL EXTENSION DINING TABLES,
fitted with patent screws and spare leaves; various sizes.
CARVED OAK DINING-ROOM SUITE,
upholstered in Morocco Leather.
WALNUT ENCLOSED DINNER WAGGON.

LIBRARY SUITE OF FURNITURE,
Manufactured in Pure Malacca Cane, with Specially Constructed Spring Backs to the Chairs.

SEVERAL GENUINE TURKEY RUGS.

SUPERIOR ROLL-TOP DESKS, OFFICE FURNITURE, SEVERAL IRON SAFES.

DRAWING-ROOM SUITE,
Carved and Inlaid Walnut Frames, Upholstered in Finest Lyons Silk Damask.

VALUABLE VICTOR PIANOFORTE,
Upright Grand, in Walnut Case. In Splendid Order.
WALNUT UPRIGHT, BY CHAPPELL AND CO.
WALNUT UPRIGHT, BY SCHILLER.
WALNUT UPRIGHT, BY COLLARD AND COLLARD.
WALNUT UPRIGHT, BY HOHENSTEIN;
also,
PLEYEL BABY GRAND,
A Splendid Instrument, in Handsome Rosewood Case.
And
A COMBINATION PIANOLA PIANOFORTE,
"THE HERMES,"
☞ One of the Latest Importations; in perfect order.

MAGNIFICENT CHIPPENDALE BEDROOM SUITE, comprising:—COMMODIOUS 6ft WARDROBE, break front, with two side bevelled-edge plateglass mirror doors, and centre door fitted with hand-beaten copper panel; also PAIR VERY HANDSOME TOILETS, en suite.
DOUBLE 6ft SUITE, IN SOLID OAK,
also,
MINOR SUITES FOR DOUBLE AND SINGLE ROOMS.

MASSIVE DOUBLE AND SINGLE BEDSTEADS.

KITCHEN AND LAUNDRY REQUISITES.

FOUR VARIOUS SIZED ICE CHESTS.

GENT.'S CLEVELAND BICYCLE.

D.B.B.L. GUN, BY W. AND C. SCOTT AND SON, in first-class order.

SMALL INVOICE OF FANCY GOODS, etc., etc.,

VALUABLE MOTOR CAR,
A VERY FINE CAR, IN SPLENDID RUNNING ORDER, SEATS FOUR.

JAMES R. LAWSON AND LITTLE,
FURNITURE AND GENERAL AUCTIONEERS,
128 and 130 PITT-STREET, NEAR KING-STREET.

TELEPHONE, No. 2056.

TO BREWERS, MANUFACTURERS, FANCY GOODS DEALERS, AND OTHERS.
THIS DAY, FRIDAY, AT 11 A.M.,
at the Rooms,
CITY-CHAMBERS, 243 PITT-STREET (near Market-st).
HYAM HAINS will sell by Public Auction, on account of a DECEASED ESTATE,
1 18c. GOLD HUNTING REPEATER-WATCH, by T. G. Hancock, London
1 18c. GOLD HUNTING WATCH, 1 Revolver (self-acting); also,
ON ACCOUNT OF VARIOUS INTERESTS.
1 NATIONAL CASH REGISTER (No. 13), ART MIRRORS
Kalliope Automatic MUSIC CABINET (in A1 condition)
1 AUSTRAL BICYCLE, fitted with all latest improvements
Quantity ISLAND CURIOS, SPEARS, BOWS and ARROWS, etc
1 Large BREWER'S THERMOMETER (new)
11 FIRST-CLASS THERMOMETERS (by Hohmann and Maurer)
1 CREAM SEPARATOR, PATENT SEED-SETTER
Electric Light Lamps and Bulbs, Clocks, Ornaments
BRUSHWARE, BASKETWARE, DOOR MATS, YARD BROOMS
E.P. WARE, FANCY GOODS, CUTLERY, CRUETS
Food Preservative, Drugget, Developing Tubes.
ORGANETTE and RECORDS, TENNIS BALLS, Assorted Hats, quantity Useful and Miscellaneous Articles.
NO RESERVE. TERMS, CASH.
TELEPHONE, 2547.

TO DEALERS AND OTHERS.

IMPERATIVE AND UNRESERVED SALE.

TO-MORROW, SATURDAY, AT 2 P.M.

On the Premises, No. 48 OXFORD-STREET, CITY, known as the VIENNA CAFE.
20 Tables, 50 Chairs, Screens.
Electric Light and Gas Fittings.
Jardinieres and Japanese Tables.
Clocks, Curtains, 2 Ice Chests.
Griller, Younger Stove, Urns.
Crockery, Cutlery, and Glassware, E.P. Ware.
Great Quantity Sundries and Miscellaneous Furniture.

HYAM HAINS has received instructions from the MORTGAGEE to sell by PUBLIC AUCTION.
NO RESERVE. TERMS, CASH.
All Goods Purchased Must be Cleared Immediately After the Sale.
HYAM HAINS, LICENSED AUCTIONEER and VALUATOR, 243 PITT-STREET. Phone, 2547.

THIS FRIDAY MORNING, at 11 o'clock,
CONTINUING ALL DAY,
AT THE HAYMARKET AUCTION ROOMS,
Rear 779 George-street.
BEAUTIFUL VICTOR PIANOFORTE, cost £75, in use only few months.
FIRST-CLASS COTTAGE PIANO, good tone, both for Unreserved Sale.
Walnut Drawing Suite, Wal. O'mantels, Bronze Ornaments, Vases, Pictures, Mirrors.
Wal. China Cabinet, Rattan Easy Chairs, and Settees, 10 x 4 ft Ext. D. Table, Oak and Leather D. Suite, 9 pcs.; 2 Saddlebag Dining Suites, Lea. Suites, 7 and 9 pcs.; 5 real good Sewing Machines, Singer and other makers; about 14 first-class Carpets, Brussels, Axmin., Wilton Pile, in good order, large size; Hearthrugs, Door Slips, Table Covers, Lace Curtains; 2 lovely Bedrm. Suites, each 6ft; Dble. Robing Cupboard, pr. large Cheval Toilets, T. Rail and Toilet Ware; Combinations, Wardrobes, Linen Presses, Chests Drs.; all sorts Chairs, Occas. Tables, etc; about 20 first-class assorted size Bedsteads, with wires and bedding; 3 Cots complete.
Kit. Dressers, Safes, Tables, H. Safes; Gas and Fuel Stoves, Bath, 2 and 3 roller Mangles.
Enamel and Tinware, Glass, Crockery, and E.P. Ware.
E. HEBDEN BRODRIBB will sell as above, WITHOUT RESERVE.

TOTALLY UNRESERVED SALE OF SUPERIOR HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, PIANO, SINGER SEWING MACHINE.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, AT 10 O'CLOCK SHARP.

Walnut PIANO, Singer 7-Drawer Sewing Machine.
Very Handsome Sideboard, Dining-room Suite.
Dining Table, E.P. Ware, Cutlery, Glassware, Linoleum.
Pictures, Books, Ornaments; 7 H.T. Bedsteads, Wires, and Bedding (Double and Single); 3 Combination Chests Drawers, Octagon Wardrobe, M.T. Washstands, Toilet Ware, Toilet Tables, Toilet Glasses, Bed and Table Linen, Enclosed Dresser, Tables, Chairs, Cooking and Kitchen Utensils.

HENRY LEVY has received imperative instructions to sell by auction, the above SUPERIOR FURNITURE, PIANO, SEWING MACHINE, etc., on the Premises, Abercrombie-street, near George-street West.
TOTALLY UNRESERVED.
Auctioneer's Office: 93 George-street West.
'Phone, 506 Glebe.

ROSEVILLE STATION. LORD-STREET,
First Cottage from station, 30 seconds.
THIS DAY, FRIDAY, 2 O'CLOCK,
AUCTION SALE, Mrs. WALKDEN BROWN'S FURNITURE and GENERAL APPOINTMENTS
of Drawing, Dining, and various Bed Rooms, in excellent order, rec. to private and trade buyers.
Teles, Table, Suite 8 Solid Oak Chairs, Handsome Linoleums, Ax. Carpet Sq., Mod. Sideboard, Cane Chairs, Pier Glass, Wardrobe, Linen Presses, Comb. Ch. Drawers, Washstands (all modern), Hall Lino., Various Bedsteads, Kitchen Whitewood and Requisites, Dinner Set, Hose, super Gas Stove, etc.
Half-hourly Trains.
STRONGMAN, WATSON, and HAWKINS, Auctioneers, Telep., 200 Burwood.

THIS DAY, FRIDAY, AT 11,
AT 259 PALMERSTON-TERRACE, GLEBE-ROAD.
VERY BEAUTIFUL and EXCELLENT WALNUT PIANO, Hoelling and Spangenberg.
MODERN PLATEGLASS SIDEBOARD.
OCCASIONAL CHAIRS, TABLES, GLASSWARE.
Modern Wertheim High-arm SEWING MACHINE, 7 drs.
Beaconsfield Combination Chests, Marble Slab, etc., Washstands, Really Good Single Bedsteads and Bedding, Dresser, Oilcloth, Cooking Utensils.
All in Lovely Order.

MIDDLETON and CO. sell by auction.
NO RESERVE.

THIS DAY, AT 2.30,
AT 170 GEORGE-STREET WEST, near Shepherd-street.
MIDDLETON and CO. sell by auction, 500 Lots New and Second-hand Dresses, Skirts, Blouses, Jackets, Underclothing, Remnants, Men's and Children's Clothing, Boots, Curtains, Bed Clothing, etc. No Reserve.

UNRESERVED AUCTION SALE OF BUILDING MATERIALS.

THIS DAY, AT 11 O'CLOCK,

AT THE STORAGE YARDS OF F. A. MUNRO,

BUILDER, BUCKLAND-ST, off George-st West, opposite Public School.

JAMES COWAN will sell in Lots to suit Purchasers,
TIMBER, all Sizes, FLOORING and LINING, GALVANISED IRON, JOINER'S WORK, DOORS, SASH FRAMES, MANTELS, and GRATES, Etc.

TERMS CASH.

TO-MORROW, Richard's Auction, Randwick, Big Lots, Close Tram, Easy Terms. Plans, 84B Pitt-st.

INGLIS'S BAZAAR, THIS DAY.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON will sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 10.30 sharp, Vans, Springcarts, Horses, and Harness, Draught Horses, Tipcarts, Horses, and Harness; and at 11 a.m., Horses and Vehicles of every description, specially advertised. Tel., 1331.

HORSES. HORSES. HORSES.

CAMPERDOWN YARDS,

THIS DAY, FRIDAY,
AT 2.30 P.M.

SEVENTY-FIVE HEAD.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, as above.
On account Mr. GEO. CLIFT, Breeza.
20 Choice Ponies (Colts and Fillies), all the one brand, direct from the breeder, 12 to 14 hands high, by the well-known pony sires TOM and BOORI, from WELSH TIMOR and EXMOOR mares, all in splendid condition.

The Clift Brand of Ponies is so well and favourably known in this market as possessing any amount of durability, besides being speedy and strong, that comment is unnecessary. The present consignment will be found quite equal to any previous draft from the same stud.
On account NORTH BULLI COAL CO.
6 Strong Thick-set Ponies, all young, about 12 hands high, handled to lead.
On account Mr. J. G. MARKHAM, West Maitland.
25 Really good class Horses, comprising Heavy and Medium Draughts and strong upstanding Horses, suitable for Cabs, Sociable, Merchants' Vans, Cordial Waggons, and General Business use, all the right ages, in top condition, broken and unbroken.
On account Northern Agents, Hunter River.
10 Heavy and Medium Draughts and strong useful light Horses, suitable for business use, all the right ages, in good condition, broken and unbroken.
On account Mr. W. ELGER.
Bay Pacing Gelding, fast mover; Chestnut Pony Gelding, exceptionally good; Black Gelding, reliable and fast in harness, suit cab or tradesman's cart.

On account Messrs. JAS. ANGUS and SON, Rooty Hill.
Heavy Draught Gelding, stanch and reliable worker.
On account of Mr. T. G. Doyle, Maitland.
5 high-class Horses, including 4-year-old Colt by Sir William (trotter), from a Rebel Childe mare, and 4-year-old Filly (a pacer), by Charmer's Son from Miss Underwood, by Boccaccio.
On account of Mr. Sweeney, Grafton.
4 Horses, per steamer.
On account of Mr. E. Haynes, Cabramatta.
Chestnut Gelding, 5yrs, by the hunting stallion Victory, by Yorkie; broken to saddle and harness, very stylish.
On account of Mr. D. Hurley.
Bay Draught Gelding (from Camden), broken to harness.
On account of Mr. W. A. Eggleton.
Dappled Brown Gelding, 16 hands; broken to harness.

DEALER'S VAN TURNOUT.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.,
Bay Mare, reliable in harness; Dealer's Van and Harness, making a good lot.

SULKY TURNOUT.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. F. Burndorff to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 11.30 a.m.,
Brown Pony Mare, 13 hands, fast trotter, quiet in saddle and harness; Sulky and Harness, in good order; also Saddle and Bridle.

TO RACING MEN AND OTHERS.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. R. Baillie, Randwick, to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,
FAIR GAMBIL, grey gelding, by Biragambil from Wings, a first-class hack, would make a good hunter, winner of several races in the country.

THOROUGHBRED GELDING.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. J. O'Neill to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,
Bay Gelding by My Jack (son of Niagara) from Mother-o'-Pearl, broken to saddle.

TWO HARNESS HORSES.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,
Upstanding Chestnut Gelding, 16 hands, reliable in harness, suit a cab or brougham; also, brown Gelding, 15.2, stanch and reliable, suit a business cart.

THREE SADDLE AND HARNESS HORSES.

WILLIAM INGLIS and SON have received instructions from Mr. Hardy, Katoomba, to sell by auction, at their Bazaar, THIS DAY, at 12 o'clock,
Three Saddle and Harness Horses; trials given.

CAMPERDOWN YARDS.

THIS DAY, 2 O'CLOCK SHARP.

J. H. BEALE will sell by auction, viz.:—
Account Mr. R. JENKINS.
7 Horses, broken and unbroken.
Account Various Owners.
10 Horses, including a few good light sorts.

IMPORTANT TO DAIRYMEN.
CLEARANCE SALE,
ABSOLUTELY WITHOUT RESERVE.

56 HEAD. 56 HEAD.

J. E. JAMES has received instructions from Mr. Chas. Kenny, of Clarendon (near station), to sell by public auction, at his Premises, on
SATURDAY NEXT, MARCH 27th,
at 11 o'clock sharp,
THE WHOLE OF HIS CHOICE DAIRY CATTLE AND PLANT, as
25 Choice Milking Cows and Springers.
1 Ayrshire Bull (bred by Hon. J. Kidd).
30 Head Young Stock.
Separator (improved "Princess"), and all Dairy Utensils, Vehicles, Harness, Farm Implements, and numerous Sundries.
N.B.—Mr. Kenny is leaving the district, and EVERY LINE WILL BE OFFERED WITHOUT RESERVE.
J. E. JAMES, Auctioneer, Windsor.

GORDON AUCTION SALEYARDS,
adjoining Railway Station.
SALE on SATURDAY, 27th MARCH, at 2.30 p.m.
Horses, first-class Vehicles, Cattle, Milch Cows, Vealers, well-bred Springers, pet Sheep, Ducks, Fowls, etc.
After Cattle Sale,
SEVERAL WORKINGMEN'S LOTS will be put up for auction on very easy terms.

A. H. FERRIS, AUCTIONEER.
W. H. McINTOSH, Sellers' Agent,
Gordondale, Gordon, N.S.W.

WEEKLY PRODUCE SALES.

MOSSMAN and ELLIS will sell by auction, at their Railway Produce Saleyards, Quay-street, off George-street South, THIS DAY, at 1 p.m.,
Fat Vealers, Porkers, Baconers, Suckers, Carcase Pork and Veal, Butter, Cheese, Bacon, Eggs, Honey, Beeswax, Lard, Fruit, a large quantity of Poultry of every description, Pigeons, Birds, Game, Rabbits, etc.
2 Ton Prime Corn-fed Bacon.

R. F. MURPHY AND CO. will Sell by Auction at THEIR SALE ROOMS AND YARDS, Thomas-street, Haymarket,
THIS DAY,
Sucking Pigs and Carcase Pork, 1 p.m. sharp.
Eggs, Butter, Bacon, etc., 2 p.m.
Poultry, etc., 2.30 p.m.

C. J. TURNER sells at his Rooms, Valentine-street, Haymarket, THIS DAY, as under:—
1.15, Ducklings, Chicks, Birds, etc.
1.30, Eggs, then Poultry.

GEO. H. MOXHAM and CO. sell by Auc., This Day, at Wool Exch., Sheepskins, 10.30; Hides, 1.30 p.m.

PRODUCE Sales will be held To-day as under:—
Sheepskins, at 10.30 a.m.; Hides, at 1.30 p.m.

THIS DAY.
JOHN P. LISTER will sell by auction, at his Rooms, 247A Pitt-street,
The Unredeemed Pledges pawned with Mr. Jacob Solomon, of the Australian Loan Office, 35 Regent-street, Redfern.
At 11 o'clock: Clothing, Boots, Blankets, etc.
At 3 o'clock: Sundries and Jewellery.

THE BAILIFF will sell, THIS DAY, at 11 a.m., at 59 Belgrave-street, off Waters-road, Neutral Bay, HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE, etc.
H. J. BENNETT, Bailiff.

CALLS AND DIVIDENDS ON SHARES.

IVANHOE GOLD CORPORATION, LIMITED.

FORTY-THIRD DIVIDEND.

NOTICE is hereby given that the Board of Directors will recommend at the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders, to be held in London on the 27th April, 1909, the payment of a FOURTH and FINAL DIVIDEND in respect of the year 1908 of Nine Shillings per share, payable on the 28th day of April, 1909, subject to deduction of English Income Tax of One Shilling in the £.
The Transfer Books of the Company will be Closed from the fifth to tenth April, 1909, both days inclusive.
For the Ivanhoe Gold Corporation, Limited:
FORD, RHODES, FORD, and CO.,
Registrars; Colonial Register.
Kalgoorlie, 23rd March, 1909.

ASK your Grocer for "PICK-ME-UP" Sauce, Absolutely the BEST SAUCE on the Market.

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PEACE AND PLENTY.
50-acre FARM of splendid soil, 30 acres substantially fenced, UNLIMITED WATER, 5 acres fruit trees, 2 acres vines, 16 acres corn, 6-rmd. W. Cott., neat and clean, convenient outbuildings, 100 poultry, horse and cart, cow, mowing machine, h.p. chaffcutter, all field imp. and tools, close to school and P.O., £475, £150 dep. You can live abundantly and save money. I shall take a pride in showing it to you.
W. F. KAY, Granville.

GENTLEMAN'S HOME and FARM COMBINED—Famous Moss Vale District, prettiest sight on southern highlands, 52 acres beautiful rich soil, cost £20 unimproved, abundantly watered, never-failing springs, splendid orchard, subdivided small paddocks, residence, 8 rooms, hall, outbuildings, bricked yard, everything necessary, gentleman's country residence, improvements already cost £700. Owner going away will sacrifice, £1075. Deposit, £300; Balance, 5 per cent. Chapman and Son, 108 Pitt-st; and Moss Vale.

PARRAMATTA RIVER.
Fine Old Homestead and 28 Acres of splendid Land, A1 position, 3 min. from steamer's wharf, magnificent views. Torrens Title. Only £1500, terms.
GILLIES and CAMERON,
'Phone, 1446. 82 Pitt-street.

POULTRY FARM, 1½ miles rail, 20 miles Sydney, 6 acres rich soil, securely fenced, netted all round, Neat Cottage, 4 rms., sheds and suitable outbuildings, together with 600 poultry, champion layers. This is a profitable going concern, returning £5 week. Price, £350. We drive. Slack and Co., Auct., Parramatta.

COFF'S HARBOUR, DORRIGO DISTRICT.—FARMS, SAWMILL, STORE, BLACKSMITH SHOP, TOWN ALLOTMENTS, good opportunities.
BULL and LONG, Coff's Harbour.

HIGH and healthy Home, 1 mile Parramatta, good living from start, over 7 acres citrus fruit, 3 acres peas, paddocks, new Cott., 5 rms., kit., sheds, netted yards, 100 poultry, cow, £500. A. H. Ferris, P'matta.

COOGEE, SO HANDY TO TRAM.
COOGEE GLEN ESTATE,
TO-MORROW, SATURDAY.
HARDIE and GORMAN and W. DAY, Auctioneers.

ARNOTT'S
DOUBLE XX SODA BISCUITS

CONTAIN ALL THE ESSENTIALS OF A PERFECT FOOD, BEING LIGHT, UNSWEETENED, PERFECTLY BAKED, AND VERY EASILY ASSIMILATED.

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on the subject of Health are the only acceptable pronouncements. Exaggerated statements end by convincing no one—rather do they create suspicion, and give rise to doubt. But you may safely listen to universal opinion. The public have for long known the value of Beecham's Pills in cases of disorder and irregularity of the Stomach, Bowels, Liver, and Kidneys. Thousands of men and women know from glad experience that an occasional dose of Beecham's Pills will promote the healthy action of these organs, and that all the good things heard on every hand

ABOUT

this medicine, are true in the strictest sense. Most people desire a specific that can be depended upon at all times to correct the vital functions when they are out of order, and Nature calls for some assistance. Such a preparation may be found in BEECHAM'S PILLS. They will put you right and keep you up to the mark. They have proved an immense boon to many thousands of men and women all over the world. It is just as certain that they will benefit you—and this is a plain truth you may accept and act upon in regard to

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Even if you have the finest flour and every helpful condition to help you, it takes a lot of knowledge to bake bread properly.
Some Bakers succeed occasionally, but the William White Bread is ALWAYS beautifully baked. That's why it so appeals to our 5500 daily customers.
Telephone 193 Redfern or 367 Newtown, and we will deliver you a few loaves. They will convince you William White Bread is good—very good.

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HOUSES AND LAND FOR SALE.

LEVEL LAND AT GRANVILLE, £9 BLOCK.
NO DEPOSIT. NO INTEREST.

No man need be without a section of his own on which to build a home. We give possession of these fine sites immediately the contract promising to pay 5s month is signed. We ask for no deposit. You simply pay the first monthly instalment in advance, and the thing is done. This land is cheap, and no more generous paying arrangement could possibly be made by us. No Deposit, No Interest, just 5s month, and 5 per cent. off for cash. Dellwood Park Estate Number Two is close up to all the big Manufacturing Works at Clyde and Granville. The land is level, and gas and water are along the main street. Price, from £9 to £12 a Block, and each Block is a fine big lump of Building Land. Plans for asking.

ARTHUR RICKARD AND CO., LTD.,

84B PITT-STREET, SELLERS OF GOOD LAND ON EASY TERMS.

NEW SUBDIVISION, WITH VERY CHOICE RESIDENTIAL SITES, HAVING ELEVATIONS UP TO 250FT ABOVE THE HARBOUR, OF WHICH IT COMMANDS UNPARALLELED VIEWS. 10 MINUTES FROM CIRCULAR QUAY.

BERRY ESTATE, NORTH SYDNEY.

Accessible by Rail and Tram. Water and Gas Available on Estate. Roads under Municipal Control. Moderate Building Covenant to Protect Buyers.

EASY TERMS. TORRENS TITLE

PLANS ON APPLICATION AT OFFICES, ROYAL-CHAMBERS, 45 HUNTER-STREET; AND CROW'S NEST JUNCTION, NORTH SYDNEY.

THE END OF THE BROWN BOYS.

The season is waning, and not for much longer this summer will the brown boys frolic on the beach. The end of this season's surfing is in sight.

We want to sell ten Lots at Freshwater to as many surf lovers before the summer quite leaves. Every one of the ten will, at the very start of next surfing season, be worth nearly double our price to-day.

We have priced them low to get rid of them. They're all we have out of recent subdivisions, and we want to close the Estate up.

£25 to £34, paid a little at a time, secures one. We ask £1 deposit and 10s month until the amount be paid. The blocks are very large ones, not more than eight minutes from the beach, adapted for building on, and command fine views.

Now, come in, Brownies, and secure one at 10s month. Remember, only ten of you may be successful.

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Sellers of Good Land on Easy Terms.

COOGEE. COOGEE.
SMITHFIELD GRANGE ESTATE,
Overlooking and Adjacent to the Beach.

A FEW SPLENDID PARK-LIKE LOTS, great depths, inexpensive to build on, well sheltered, convenient to beach and tram, city water, gas and sewer available.

LOW PRICES. EASY TERMS. TORRENS.
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INTERCOLONIAL INVESTMENT CO., Ltd.,
14 MOORE-STREET, CITY.

ROSE BAY.—Choice Home Sites, central position, good locality, baths and beach close by, tram passes estate, from 55s foot. Torrens. Easy terms.
INTERCOLONIAL INVESTMENT CO., Ltd.,
14 MOORE-STREET, CITY.
W. J. DOUGLAS, Mgr.

QUIT RENT-PAYING.
CARLTON.—Superior D.F. Detached W.B. COTTAGE, good position, handy to station, hall, 4 rooms, kitchen, pantry, laundry, bathroom, verandahs, gas, land 40 x 150, Torrens, £320.
Also, SIMILAR COTTAGE, with 1 room less, £300, thoroughly well built. Inspection invited.
Easy Terms, Small Deposit, Balance as Rent.
INTERCOLONIAL INVESTMENT CO., Ltd.,
14 Moore-street, city.
W. J. DOUGLAS, Manager.
Office open on Monday Evening till 9 o'clock.

DUCK OR FOWL KEEPERS.

The man who keeps ducks or fowls expecting to make money out of them has got to work in a systematic manner. For instance, he can't afford to pay rent. It's almost a necessity also that a place be secured where some, if not all, of the feed may be grown. We have for sale at Canterbury a Block of over 2 acres for £40. We will take 10/ month in payment, which is less than rent, and you'll be buying the place. The land itself is not too bad. Only a mile and a quarter from Canterbury Station, and within easy distance of the Sydney poultry Markets. Remember, the price is £40, and the terms £1 down, 10/ month. Why should you pay rent when buying is thus made easy?

ARTHUR RICKARD and CO., Ltd.,
84B Pitt-street.
Sellers of Good Land on Easy Terms.

STERLING INVESTMENT.
BONDI JUNCTION.—Terrace of 3 Houses, brick on solid stone foundations, exteriors cemented, nr. 2d trams, £1300. GILLIES and CO., 82 Pitt-street.

A GENUINE BARGAIN.
NORTH SHORE LINE.—Modern New Cottage, 7 rooms, hall, and offices, land 50 x 170, only £675, terms. GILLIES and CO., 82 Pitt-street.

STRATHFIELD HEIGHTS.
Handsome new Cottage, 7 rooms and grounds, gardens, stables, etc., only £750, £25 cash, and bal. 5 per cent. GILLIES and CO., 82 Pitt-street.

MARRICKVILLE, on the Heights, above The Glen, beautiful view, within few moments of train and tram, splendid healthy locality, land 180 x 130, freehold Title. Land tax valuation is £3 per foot, but I do not want to hold vacant land. Will sell for £2 per foot. Easiest terms in the world. I want NO DEPOSIT; £2 monthly, 5 per cent. interest. Will sell whole or part. Will assist to build. The chance of the year.
C. F. EVESTON,
City Mutual Life,
Hunter and Bligh streets.

AN EXCEPTIONAL EQUITY.
A TERRACE of 6 well-built HOUSES, brick, slate roofs, in excellent order, situate in a splendid position, close to city, within 2d section, all let to good tenants at rentals returning £270 per annum. PRICE, £2250. Terms: £400 deposit, balance may remain for 10 years at 4½ per cent. interest. The equity will thus show a return of £142 per annum for an outlay of £400.
THE TITLE IS TORRENS.

JAMES CARROLL and CO.,
10 Hunter-street.

PYMBLE, 40YDS. FROM STATION.—Choice Blocks, 60ft x 300ft, panoramic views, very easy terms, from 20s per foot, only a few left. A. ICKERSON, 14 Moore-street, or D. J. M'INTYRE, 20 Castlereagh-st.

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HOUSE, 4 rms., kit., etc., 1 minute from tram, no reasonable offer refused. 208 Union-st., Erskineville.

ACRE LAND, fenced, post rails, Bunnerong-rd, Kensington, £60, Tor. 96 Walker-st., Redfern.

CREMORNE, unique position.—New Cottage, 7 large rms., all offices, conv., grounds nicely laid out, lawns, rockeries, etc., exten. perm. harb. views, £1400, Tor. N. R. Smith, Cremorne; or 18 Bridge-st., city.

MANLY.—New Terrace, brick Property, mod., near whf., rt. £400, pr. £4500. Harrison, 5 Moore-st.

SHOP and Dwlg., gd. tenant, 10s, leasehold, £160, thor. repair. A. Hubbard, 127 Macpherson-st, Wav.

SHOP, never empty, lease, rent £48 yrly., pr. £170, leasehold, gd. investment. J. P., 95 Denison-st, Wav.

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PETERSHAM, RIGHT AT STATION.

Splendid Detached BRICK HOUSE, with slate roof, in splendid order, 5 large rooms, kitchen, and all conveniences, good block of land, 25 x 120 Torrens Title. PRICE, only £450. A BARGAIN.

HARVEY and CO., PETERSHAM,
Right at Station.

CHARMING Suburban HOME, with 12 acres attached, laid out in fruit, flowers, and kitchen garden, overlooking the George's River. The residence contains 8 large rms., with man's cottage and stables; must be sold in consequence of owner leaving for England.
T. TAYLOR and CO., 5 Moore-street.

SUPERIOR County Orchard, and Vineyard, 28a., together with Poultry Farm and Post Office attached, owner must sell owing to circumstances. A rare chance. T. W. TAYLOR and CO., 5 Moore-st.

S.S.—STANMORE BARGAIN. Owner off W.A.—SACRIFICE AT ONCE. £445. 3 min. 1d tram, close train, grandest pos. in all Stanmore. UP 4 YRS. Lovely Brick Cott., slate roof, 4 fine rooms, kit., hall, all conv., pretty garden, Torrens, 25 x 115. WARD, 77 P'matta-rd, An'dale (nr. Trafalgar-st. t. stop).

LEICHHARDT, a Sure Living and a Splendid Chance. —A Mixed Business, as a going concern, together with Brick Cottage, shop, 2 rooms, and kit., also adjoining Brick House, 4 rooms, kitchen, and office. Land, 40 x 100 to a lane, Torrens, £550 the lot.
ERNEST C. V. BROUGHTON, 113 Pitt-street.

A SURE FORTUNE.—RYDE, right opposite station. —General Store, brick Shop, 4 rooms, cellar, stables, etc., land 33 x 141, Torrens, £450. A rare chance. E. C. V. BROUGHTON, 113 Pitt-street.

PADDINGTON.—Bk. House, hall, 5 rms., k., etc., £350. Chas. R. Gadd, 94 Pitt-st.

WATERLOO. Leasehold Investment, 11 Brick Houses, good order, rents £260, pr. £1050. Gadd, 94 Pitt-st.

NARRABEEN LAKES.—Allotment, 50 x 115, close to Ocean, cheap. Chas. R. Gadd, 94 Pitt-st.

ASHFIELD. ASHFIELD.

A RECENT SUBDIVISION, consisting of 6 ALLOTMENTS, five of which have 40ft frontage and one 51ft, with depths averaging 210ft, has been placed on our list of Land for Sale.

ALL PARTICULARS ON APPLICATION.

As this Land is to be sold at 27s 6d PER FOOT, much below value, and probably CHEAPER THAN ANY OTHER LAND IN THE VICINITY, those needing a Block for a Home or as a speculation should inspect at once.

TORRENS TITLE.

£2 DEPOSIT AND 30/ MONTHLY.

ARTHUR RICKARD and CO., Ltd.,
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FERNHILL, NEAR STATION.
A Pretty little COTTAGE HOME, built of brick, contains hall, 4 rooms, bath, pantry, and laundry, land 40ft by 135. Torrens Title. Price, £425. No money required spending on the property for years.
G. J. WAITE, Estate Agent,
Tram Terminus, Dulwich Hill.
Tel., 503 Pet.

KOGARAH.—D.F. Cottage, 5 rms., etc., gas stove, land 50 x 120. NOTE.—Each room fully furnished. The lot for £420. Terms if necessary. Particulars from PEACH BROS., Kogarah.

MANLY.—Pair W.B. COTTAGES, showp 12 p.c., £650, snap. Hanson and Strong, opp. Pier.

TWO SHILLINGS PER FOOT.—Building Blocks at Hurstville, 50 x 129, £5, £1 deposit, 10s monthly; Torrens; 5 per cent. for cash; selling cheap to wind up the Estate. Plans and full particulars from ERNEST C. V. BROUGHTON, Stock Exchange, 113 Pitt-street. Open Mondays till 9 p.m.

TO TRUSTEES, Investors, and Others.—15 min. City. WINDING-UP ESTATE.—Grand Block of well-built Properties, superior position; after payment of interest and all rates and taxes will show
15 P.C. NET ON EQUITY.
BACKHOUSE and GOYDER, 90 Pitt-st.

MUST SELL THIS WEEK.—Leichhardt, brick Cottage, 3 rms., kitchen, laundry, bath, double frontage, near tram, only £165 CASH.
STRAD (late Mann), 81 Norton-st, Leichhardt.

TWENTY-SEVEN Acres, with 6-r. Cottage, nearly new, stables and outbuildings, 17acs. cleared and fenced ready for cultivation, price £260, worth £500, bargain, must sell. T. W. TAYLOR and CO., 5 Moore-st.

A BARGAIN. NO REASONABLE OFFER REFUSED. —Sup. W.B. Cottage, 5 rooms, kit., w.-house, stables, large block land, garden, etc., £275, £15 deposit, bal. as rent. 2 John-st., Croydon, 1st hse. fr. Croydon-rd.

LONG BAY.—Picked Sites for Sale, terms, Torrens. Plans, Ernest C. V. Broughton, 113 Pitt-st.

BALMORAL BEACH.—Few Lots left, £2 cash, 20s monthly. E. C. V. Broughton, 113 Pitt-st.

KINGSGROVE.—45 Acres, Torrens, 3000ft main road frontage. Box 21, Newtown.

HARROW-RD, Stanmore.—Double-fronted Block of Land, sewered. Torr., terms. Box 21, Newtown.

CABRAMATTA.—38 ACRES, Torrens, permanent water, Cottage, cheap. Box 21, Newtown.

NEW D.F. Brick COTTAGE, 5 rms., hall, kitchen, every convenience, nice block of land, close to tram, terms £50 down, balance 5 per cent. T. QUINN and CO., Ltd., Vickery's-chambers, 76A Pitt-st.

ASK ARTHUR RICKARD and CO., Ltd., of 84B Pitt-street, for particulars of the fine FACTORY or STORE SITE they have for Sale in GLEBE POINT, close to the wharf in Cook-street. The price is only £4 10s foot, and easy terms over six years will be arranged.

PENNANT HILLS.—Nice Brick VILLA, practically at station, beautiful views, hall, 6 rooms, kitchen, laundry, bathroom, pantry, verandah front and side, ample land, £725, cash or terms. Torrens.
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MAROUBRA, 15 minutes' drive from Beach.—Charming Cottage Home, walls and ceilings being beautifully tinted Wunderlich work, with 2 acres of land, gas, water, ev. conv. Agent, W. DAY, Coogee Bay.

MOSMAN'S HEIGHT ESTATE.
Continuation Sale next SATURDAY.
RICHARDSON and WRENCH, LTD.,
RICHARDSON and CO., in conjunction.

PADDINGTON, near tram.—Substantial Well-built Brick HOUSE, 7 rms., and ev. conv., Torrens Title. Price, £550, bargain. G. H. STEVENS, 2 Flinders-street, Darlinghurst. Tel., 332 Padd.

ANNANDALE.—D.F. W.B. Cott., 4 rms., kit., all offs., 2 min. tram sec., 25 x 115, 400 P'matta-rd.

LEICHHARDT.—D.F. Bk. Cott., 5 large rs., kit., offs., cl. tram, 1. 33 x 124, £575, t. 400 P'matta-rd.

FERNHILL.—Superior Brick Villa, latest convs., extra large rooms, highest elev. Smith, Hardy-st, Ashfield.

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A ROYAL WARD.

BY PERCY BREBNER.

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CHAPTER VII.—Continued.

"They are rather a wild set at the Brazen Serpent," said Sir Rupert, "but I had a definite reason for suggesting that you should go there. They are good fellows, but most of them have a grievance which they like to talk about loudly. It eases their minds and does no one any harm. This talk might have been useful to you, for it is usually of people highly placed. There is small satisfaction in having little men for enemies, so they abuse well-known personages, from the Prince Regent down to the latest popular member in the House of Commons. You might have heard something to put you on the track of the man you are seeking. You do not know his name, you have told me, but you know something of his history, of course?"

"Yes; I know something of his history."

"Then, Mr. Dubuisson, you might waste your time very profitably in the Brazen Serpent and in becoming acquainted with some of these men. I can tell you this: many of them know a great deal of those who from time to time have had dealings with your countrymen in recent years, dealings not too honest at times, you know. If that fact helps you to appreciate how useful they may be, you can act upon it without giving me any further confidence."

"I can appreciate your reason for advising me to go to the Brazen Serpent," Dubuisson answered, "and what you tell me may prove useful."

"So I judged," Sir Rupert returned. "A man naturally has some reason for coming into England secretly; but I ask no questions, neither will these fellows I speak of. Let them think you are as discontented as they, and you will be taken to their heart at once. So I point one road which may lead you to your end. However, there are others which may be more direct, and when I proffer my help, as I have done in your case, I hate to give it in niggardly fashion. I am seldom in London many days together; I took my fill of its pleasures years ago, and became satiated; but I am still thought well of by many, and I have a young relative who is at present floating on the top of the wave. I have secured his kind offices on your behalf. If I mistake not, I heard his voice below just now. Yes, he is coming; and one word, Mr. Dubuisson, let me introduce you in my own fashion."

"Play the mummer again?" asked Dubuisson.

"A very good retort, very excellent indeed;" and Sir Rupert was still laughing when the door opened, and a servant announced: "Mr. Walter Evertsen."

"I am late," said Evertsen, "but the villainous cut of a new coat must be my excuse. Weston, of Bond-street, has a reputation in the matter of coats which he does not always live up to. By gad! the tailors are beginning to try and set the fashion. This was a coat, sir, that would have made Brummell weep."

"Even so, the world might have still gone round, Walter. Let me make you two gentlemen acquainted. This is Mr. Victor Dubuisson, of an old Hugenot family, long buried in the neighbourhood of one of our northern towns—Lieutenant Walter Evertsen, a rising soldier."

The two men bowed to each other, and Dubuisson did not contradict the description given of him.

"A soldier, sir, doomed to remain in England keeping the rabble in order, instead of winning honourable mention against Frenchmen on the Continent. But, pardon, I——"

"Oh, Mr. Dubuisson has been so long in this country that he has little sympathy with Bonaparte," said Sir Rupert. "As I told you, Walter, my friend is seeking an Englishman of position, who—who befriended his father, and wants the entree where such men are to be found."

"You could hardly apply to a better man," said Evertsen. "Command me, Mr. Dubuisson. I like your face, sir, if I may say so, but——"

"But you are not in love with his coat, eh, Walter? Do you expect the height of fashion to come out of the North?"

"Lord, Sir Rupert, you make me blush for your bad manners," Eversten returned. "My cousin, Mr. Dubuisson, for that is our relationship——"

"Several times removed, Walter," Sir Rupert interpolated.

"My cousin is one of those unpleasant persons who will speak without thinking. I was going to add that my friend the Prince Regent would like your face; but, in the matter of coats—well, the world knows how fastidious he is. An angel out of the fashion would annoy him."

"He need not worry, Walter; no angel is likely to ask admission at Carlton House. By the way, is it true that Mr. Brummell is out of favour. I heard talk of it at Brooks's last night?"

"It will blow over," Evertsen answered. "It would be a bad day for the country if the Prince and Mr. Brummell quarrelled irreconcilably. I refuse to contemplate such a disaster."

"The Prince would still have you, Walter."

"A great thing for him, I grant you," Evertsen returned. "I find, Mr. Dubuisson, it is never wise to conceal one's merits. I could be as modest as a girl just out of the schoolroom, but modesty is out of fashion. The Prince honours me with his friendship, and I assure you that on his account I do not complain at being doomed to hunt smugglers and such like."

Dubuisson had listened to the conversation, glancing at each speaker in turn, not greatly impressed with this rising young soldier, and pretty certain that Sir Rupert was laughing at him in his sleeve.

"Smuggler hunting must be dreary work," he said quickly.

"Exciting enough at times, eh, Sir Rupert? Why, sir, only a few days since, in Devonshire—an out-of-the-way part of the country, I do assure you—I unearthed a desperate gang, and put a stop to their traffic for some time, I warrant. But that is not all. With them was a French spy, a very devil of a man with his sword. I was so occupied that at first I did not notice him, then when I engaged him he ran—ran, sir, like a deer when the hounds are loose. Had he stood his ground I should have run him through the body, and hanged his carcase on the nearest tree afterwards, but at running he was my superior. We do not learn that art in our army."

"They do not seem to teach it in France, either, in these days," said Dubuisson. "He must have been a poor sort of Frenchman."

"He was an excellent runner," laughed Evertsen, "and beat me. He went to earth somewhere, and we could not find him."

"Nor hear of him?"

"Not a word," and Evertsen turned to a mirror and adjusted the set of his coat.

Dubuisson looked at Sir Rupert, but he was contemplating Evertsen, with a smile upon his lips. This young soldier was evidently the man who had commanded in the attack upon the smugglers, and, in spite of his foolish boasting, he went up in Dubuisson's estimation. On duty he was a much better man than anyone, seeing him now, would have given him credit for. Was Sir Rupert aware that he had made known to each other the hunted and the hunter, Dubuisson wondered? Truly, he was in a very maze of difficulty and without a real friend.

"But this can hardly interest you, Mr. Dubuisson," said Evertsen, turning from the mirror, still uncertain, it seemed, whether his coat was everything it should be. "I promise you that your affairs shall have a great deal of my attention. I will take you to the clubs, I will see that you are invited to the Duchess of Petersham's, and I will endeavour to interest her Grace in you, so that you can obtain the entree to Almacks. If in these places you cannot find the man you want, he is either dead or you have been misled with regard to his position."

"I can only thank you now, but shall hope for the opportunity of repaying your courtesy."

"It is nothing, Mr. Dubuisson, nothing, I assure you. Give me the address of your lodging."

"Mr. Dubuisson is hardly settled in town yet. Address him here," said Rupert.

"You are——"

"That also is nothing, Mr. Dubuisson."

"An item of news, Sir Rupert, that I warrant you have not heard at the clubs," said Evertsen.

"Concerning the Prince?"

"No, and yet, in a way, it does; but not so nearly as it does me. My Lady Betty Walmisley comes to town."

Evertsen's back was towards Dubuisson, so he did not notice the start which this piece of news caused. Sir Rupert smiled, as though he had noticed it.

"And Walter Evertsen rejoices," he said. "You will find rivals in half the men in town."

"Would you have me marry a lady no other man is dying of love for? She will be the toast from Carlton House to the Pavilion at Brighton."

"Let us hope she is amongst those who do not think all other men ill-looking beside the Prince Regent," said Sir Rupert. "He might object presently to her being toasted anywhere but at the Pavilion and Carlton House. Ah, Walter, you fly at high game; take care you do not fall."

"I trust you have few relations, Mr. Dubuisson," said Evertsen; "they are a very plague. You shall see my Lady Betty before you are much older, and I should not wonder if you became one of my rivals."

"That would be too great an honour."

"Faith, Mr. Dubuisson, they did not forget to teach you the trick of paying compliments in the North. I foresee pleasant times in your company. You have been courteous enough to consider yourself in my debt; it may be that you will amply repay it by having an opportunity of doing me some slight service with the lady. I have known a friend's praise do much for a man before now."

"This is clipping a rival's wings with a vengeance," laughed Sir Rupert.

"I but acknowledge Mr. Dubuisson's power," said Evertsen.

"I may have the good fortune to serve the lady as well as the gentleman," Dubuisson said.

"You will be one of the few, then, that ever found a reward in such a double task," laughed Sir Rupert.

So Lady Betty Walmisley was coming to town, and he would see her. This was the thought uppermost in Victor Dubuisson's mind as he walked away from Bury-street. For a time the difficulties which faced him, the tangled maze of intrigue into the very centre of which he seemed to have stepped were forgotten. He was unconscious of the streets through which he passed, of the men and women about him, of the busy, throbbing world; he was standing bareheaded upon a silent terrace, the misty light of a watery moon about him, and there was a girl looking into his eyes, endeavouring to read his very soul through them.

She was coming to town, and this coxcomb of a soldier had already marked her for his prey. Would she even look a second time at such a man? Perhaps. Who can tell what a woman will or won't do?

"Le bon Dieu understands them," he murmured, "but He has not given such understanding to men. I shall see her, perchance carry a message for Monsieur Evertsen. Bah. It is too much."

He spoke and thought in French—sure sign that he was excited, and he quickened his pace as though he would leave all such disagreeable considerations behind him. To some extent he succeeded, but the thought of Lady Betty was pleasant, was persistent, and remained with him even when he went to meet Finley Baxter presently at the Golden Cross. It was curious that Baxter had made the appointment for the ostensible purpose of discussing the winning of a woman, for before they parted that night Victor Dubuisson, although he did not name her, had asked his companion to honour a toast.

"To the lady of my dreams," he said quietly, and Baxter raised his glass, asking no questions.

(To be continued.)

CHEMICAL RESEARCH.

CALL FOR AUSTRALIAN SCIENTISTS

NEW PROFESSOR'S VIEWS.

ORGANIC CHEMISTRY NEEDED.

With the beginning of the present term, Dr. Charles E. Fawsitt, Professor of Chemistry, who has come to take the place of Professor Liversidge, started his work at Sydney University.

"For myself I should like to see a little more attention given to pure chemistry—to have a few of our students going in for chemistry for the love of chemistry," he said yesterday. "There is an enormous field of native Australian research almost untouched—the chemistry of Australian plant life, and so forth. The lines which I would lay down for the teaching of chemistry here would certainly involve more attention being given to pure chemistry.

"The common idea that pure chemistry is merely academic and fruitless is utterly mistaken. It is men who undertake these researches into pure science that make discoveries which are of the greatest possible value to students of applied science. In Sydney, so far, the greatest attention has been given to applied chemistry—particularly in mining. Your universities here, for instance, have undertaken assay work, which is seldom done at other universities. There is a great deal of mining here, and this teaching is very useful. But I must say I should like to see some research in pure chemistry by Australians.

"Of course ultimately, if any considerable amount of research work is to be done here, that work will have to be endowed. There are some scholarships at present existing. But for work on a large scale I think either the Government or private donors would have to provide money. The Royal Society and other societies in England make grants for research. But I am afraid we are too far away to have a very good chance if we applied to them. The Scotch universities get a great many bequests for research.

"Research is one line I would lay down. Another line—a reform which I think is bound to come—is special teaching in organic chemistry. It is an extraordinary thing that none of the four chief universities in Australia has a man specially teaching organic chemistry.

"It seems to me that since Professor Anderson Stuart has established a medical school here, and since very few medical men now go home to take their degrees, I should like to give the medical students here the very best facilities possible; to have a thorough and complete course of teaching in organic chemistry at hand in Sydney for them. It seems to me that we need this reform in organic chemistry for three reasons. Firstly, for the medical school, because that is perhaps the most important school here, and therefore has claims upon us; secondly, because the organic chemistry of Australia offers a field for research work of which the fringe has barely been attacked; thirdly, because a course of organic chemistry will be necessary to the students in the Agricultural School when that is working.

"I cannot make definite recommendations yet. When the time came for that, they would be made to the Senate. And I do not want to bind myself now. But at the end of a year, when I have had time to grasp how things are at present, it will be my duty to report to the Senate. One thing that we shall certainly need before long will be a larger laboratory. There are only 84 beaches and some 200 students. The men are not all there at once; but, with the new classes coming there when the agricultural course is started, we shall certainly need more room. Money will be needed for that, but I believe we would get it from the Government."

Mr. Fawsitt said he thoroughly believed that the outcry for more German methods in British manufacture was a mistake. "By a close attention to many minute details of chemistry the Germans have won the trade in dyes. But I do not think British manufacturers are too blind to make use of chemists where chemists will help them," he said. "A great deal of this German research is done at trifling wages by men who work for the love of it, and where minute attention to chemistry is needed no doubt it pays to have enormous staffs of chemists as the Germans have. But I think more of the German prosperity than is credited to it is due to the fact that their workmen—labouring intensely hard for long hours—will naturally produce proportionately more than others."

MOUNT LYELL FIELD.

MELBOURNE, Wednesday.

At the 1100ft level of the North Mount Lyell mine driving the main crosscut between the main shaft and the engine winze is now in active progress at both ends. No. 24 stope ore body at the 1000ft level continues to produce a large tonnage of good ore. An average monthly output of about 10,000 tons is being maintained without any difficulty.

At the Lyell Consols the main shaft is down about 50ft below No. 1 level.

It is understood that the diamond drill bore from the bottom of the main shaft at the Crown Lyell will be put down 300ft vertically.

PILES.

CURED AFTER YEARS OF SUFFERING. PROOF THAT DOAN'S OINTMENT WILL CURE PILES.

Piles rarely kill, but they cause constant torture. This is especially true in the case of those who are ever so slightly constipated. Piles can be quickly and permanently cured, without pain, cutting, or detention from business. This has been proved in thousands of cases of both sexes and of all ages, and in the very worst, as well as in ordinary cases. No one who has not suffered the torments and pain of itching and bleeding piles can appreciate for a moment the marvellous sense of relief that follows the use of Doan's Ointment. Go at once and get a pot of this ointment; it will end your suffering.

Mr. J. G. Carter, jun., 182 Bulwarra-road, Ultimo, Sydney, says:—"I can strongly recommend Doan's Ointment. For two years I suffered agony from protruding and itching Piles, the pain and irritation were almost unbearable. I could scarcely get about, and could not sleep at night. I was very bad, and could not get relief, although I tried everything I could hear of, and got treatment from doctors. Fortunately, Doan's Ointment was recommended to me. I commenced to use it, carefully following the directions. Relief came after the first application, and I persevered with the treatment until I had used three pots. I am absolutely right, and it is twelve months since I used the ointment. Seeing how good Doan's Ointment proved for Piles, I used it for Eczema, which had broken out all over me. It was very painful and itchy, as well as most unsightly. Doctors and various remedies did not cure me, but Doan's Ointment again proved its genuine merit, and absolutely and completely banished all trace of the ailment."

Doan's Ointment is sold by all chemists and storekeepers at 2s 9d per pot, or will be posted on receipt of price by Foster-McClellan Co., 76 Pitt-street, Sydney.

But be sure you get DOAN'S.—Advt.

"Milrey" continues his illustrated series of yearlings in the current issue of the "Sydney Mail."—Advt.

ON THE LAND.

FARM AND STATION.

LAND SETTLEMENT.

Recently we were taken to task by a correspondent for holding the view that private subdivisions had not been very successful from a closer settlement point of view, particularly considering the urgent necessity for a rapid increase of population in this country—population which, of course, to be satisfactory, must settle on and develop the land. In this connection a letter from "A Dissatisfied Landseeker," published in these columns on Tuesday last, fully confirms our view, and draws attention to what is undoubtedly a very serious matter. Our correspondent writes from bitter personal experience, and gives instances such as our previous critic seemed anxious for. Yet he only touched a portion of the State, and the same story could be told of the Southern Riverina divisions to a great extent. It is not contended that private subdivisions are not of some benefit, but that they do not make for that settlement of the country so much desired and advocated. In the cases quoted the land was purchased in the majority of cases by adjoining landholders, and, as our correspondent points out, they can afford to pay higher prices than an outsider, simply because the land they already hold was generally obtained at a much cheaper rate, and the entire cost being spread over the entire area, that is, the old land and the newly-purchased land, brings the cost of the whole down to a reasonable figure. It cannot be denied that the man who is simply enlarging his holding by adding on adjoining paddocks can afford to give more than the man who is going in to build up a home. Of course, as far as the vendor, the purchaser, and the agent are concerned, this is satisfactory enough, but it presents another aspect from a national point of view. It is calculated to drive land-seekers further afield, and consequently other States will develop quicker relatively than ourselves, and, in the end, that condition may be highly unprofitable and unsatisfactory to even the parties now so content with things as they are. As far as the State is concerned, it is a condition that must be avoided at all costs, for if it is not avoided the cost in the end may be greatest of all—the loss of land and liberty.

CARE OF SHEEPSKINS.

The successful farmer is the man who keeps his eye on the minor details of his work. On the typical sheep and wheat farm the crop and clip are the two main things in the year's work, but there are lesser products, which, properly handled, go a long way to help cover expenses and swell the year's profit. Sheepskins are an instance of this, and pay for looking after, instead of being left lying about anyhow and passed on to the first dealer that comes along, largely at the latter's own price. They should be properly cured, kept, and forwarded to market, that the farmer may secure the full return for his produce. In connection with sheepskins, a New Zealand exchange gives the following useful instructions:—

Sheep should be skinned as soon as they are dead. In that way the skin comes off easily, and is free from stains. It is not necessary to use a knife all the time; in fact, it is far preferable to use the hand. There is then less danger of the skin being damaged, and, besides, it is taken off more quickly. Of course a skin full of holes loses a great deal of its value. As soon as convenient after the skin is off it should be washed with a solution to keep away the weevils. This little insect does a deal of damage. The longer it is allowed to remain a tenant the greater the damage. One wash that has been found effective is made by putting eight gallons of water into a vessel with 10lb of soda ash, and half a pound of Barbadoes aloes. Stir this mixture well till boiling, then add 15lb of arsenic. When boiled, the mixture will rise like boiling milk. In order to prevent it from running over, a bucket of cold water should be kept handy and poured in when the mixture rises too high. This forms a stock solution. When wanted for use, one part of the solution to five of water would be the proportions required. It is, of course, poisonous, and care should be exercised in storing and using it. In painting the pelt be sure that the work is done thoroughly, and that the whole of it is well covered. The skin has now to be dried, and it is in this part of the work that carelessness is frequently displayed. They should be dried in the shade, and, if possible, under cover. Do not expose them to the sun or the weather. Fold along the middle from the head to the tail, and let them hang over a rail. It is of importance that they should be well dried before being packed. If that is not done they are likely to become mildewed or rotten. In sending to market the skins should be folded with the flesh sides together, and bundled with wool to wool. Each bundle should weigh about 2cwt. Although the foregoing treatment may appear rather troublesome to some, it is work easily carried out when done systematically and constantly.

ITEMS.

At a homestead in the Tamworth district, where the sparrows in previous years always played havoc with the grapes, the pest this year was effectually combated with cats. A cat and four kittens were on the place, and were not given any food, but compelled to forage for themselves, which they did at the expense of the sparrows.

Messrs. Searl and Sons are exhibiting in their window some choice apples grown by Messrs. Best and Co., The Pines, Bowning, a district within the Federal capital area, including a new seedling of Messrs. Best's raising, which they have named Dreadnought, a rosy, well-shaped marketable apple.

ROYAL EASTER SHOW.

The booths and refreshment rooms for the Royal Show were sold by auction on the show-ground yesterday by Messrs. William Inglis and Son. The sale was, on the whole, a very good one. Two of the principal hotels realised less money than for the 1908 show, but the other privileges all exceeded last year's prices. The details are as follows:—

Commonwealth Refreshment Room, W. Willis, Nowra, £130.
The Kelpie Hotel, Henry Dalton, Riverside Hotel, Marrickville, £290.
The Royal Bar and Refreshment Room, A. Medham, Calder-street, Kensington, £245.
The Main Pavilion and Refreshment Room, James Conway, 497 Oxford-street, £40.
The Federal Stand Refreshment Room, John Haddon, 15 Crown-street, £127.
The Federal Hotel Bar, Michael Toohey, Park View Hotel, Myrtle-street, £210.
Oyster Saloon, Women's Christian Temperance Union, £40.
The District Hotel, Martin Barlow, Maroubra Bay, £172.
The "Nest" Tea and Refreshment Room, John Perry, 106 Kippax-street, Surry Hills, £42.
The Official Stand Tea and Refreshment Room, William Smith, 163 King-street, Newtown, £50.
The Jersey Tea and Refreshment Room, John Syarks, 194 Enmore-road, Enmore, £67.
The Pomona Fruit and Soft Drinks Stand, H. Smith, 166 Flinders-street, Darlinghurst, £50.
The Main Pavilion Annexe, tea and refreshments, Mrs. M. Italiana, £45.

THE BUTTER INDUSTRY.

"Factory Manager" writes:—"A great number of our butter factory managers are not so backward in manufacturing butter of superfine quality as some imagine. They compare favourably with any similar body of men in the world. Education in itself will not make a factory manager; he must have practical experience, and if he has to begin, as one writer mentions, by washing cans and other appliances and cleaning the factory, he will at least know when they are properly cleansed by his staff later on, also when the supplier is doing his duty in the same direction. With reference to ascertaining the percentage of moisture in butter, testing cream for acidity, cultivating and locating bacteria affecting butter, etc., there are more managers cognisant with these items than most people are aware of, but they receive no encouragement for their energies, and this is where the trouble lies. One thing above all which is going to make the needful improvement in the quality of our butter is the universal grading of cream. Knowledge will help the manager to a certain extent, but if he does not, with a firm hand, grade the cream which comes to his factory his education goes for nought. How is he going to control the ripening of his cream if it is already overripe when he receives it? How is he, with all his education and training, going to make a superfine butter to compete with that of New Zealand or of Denmark out of this overripe cream? There are some careless dairymen who would make a Government-trained factory manager look ridiculous if he did not grade the cream so that it would affect their pockets, and this is the only way that the careless supplier is to be dealt with. When he finds that he has to take a halfpenny or a penny less per pound for the butter produced from his cream, he will improve the quality and deliver his cream oftener, or give up the business and let another man, with more energy perhaps, have a try. The point is how is this universal grading of cream to be brought about? During the past, factory managers in this State have not received much encouragement. They may be rewarded with 'top price' for the output, but there appears to be nothing more to aspire to, except to have their export butter classed as superfine by the Government grader. Some factories have by consigning direct to London had the necessity to grade in order to have the best of their output for this purpose so that it will obtain good prices; but this would perhaps be only for a short period of the year, and if the season happened to be dry exporting would not be entered upon at all.

"As far as the suppliers to the factory were concerned, a manager, under present conditions, would start grading the cream and paying according to quality, and eventually discover that some of the suppliers whose cream he had graded as second-class had discontinued supplying to his factory, and were no doubt sending to another factory, where grading was not carried on. Yet the latter place was paying just as much for the cream as the factory they had just left had paid the suppliers for first grade cream supplied, although the output would be inferior in quality. If a manager graded the cream coming to his factory to the extent that he could produce butter of superfine quality and command a halfpenny more for it than top market price, and paid his suppliers accordingly for first-grade cream, the manager of the neighbouring factory would have to act accordingly or else lag behind, and it would be an incentive for managers generally to grade the cream and produce better butter. But it is only the extra price for butter made from cream of first-class quality which will bring this about voluntarily, and this premium is not forthcoming at present.

"Several attempts have been made by one company in Sydney to realise an extra fraction for good flavoured brands, but in a short time this would be really what is called 'top price,' and almost every factory would be on the same level again. Why is this? I am sure consumers would give a little extra for butter of superfine quality if it was sold to them as such. If superfine butter brought superfine prices, cream grading would be strictly carried out to obtain these prices, and the careless and indifferent supplier would be compelled to be careful and deliver his cream oftener to the factory, without which system we will never be able to improve our butter. Suppliers would then be more willing to learn how to look after their cream, and more likely to listen and pay attention to the factory manager's instructions whether he was trained by the Government or otherwise."

RABBITS IN THE BEGA DISTRICT

Although a few years ago rabbits were practically unknown in the Bega district, they are now prevalent. At the present time a general warfare exists between landholders and the members of the Pastures' Protection Board, who are very strict in their demand upon the landholders to poison, and as a result of this it is not an uncommon thing to see 20 or 30 landholders cited before the board "to show cause." Farmers and occupiers of land generally regard the idea of poisoning in anything but a favourable light, as their land is generally surrounded by impregnable Crown lands, which is a veritable breeding-place for the pest, and no poisoning operations are carried out on these Government lands.

The Bega board only possesses one inspector, who does an area that three inspectors should serve, and localities being few and far between, this is taken advantage of. When the inspector arrives the place may be overrun with rabbits, although the poison cart is at work. To meet this position, the board has given the inspector power to summon where he considers owners are not poisoning as they should.

A case which occasioned some discussion was the plea of a person cited that he was trapping instead of poisoning, which, he thought, should meet the case. He said he was making a good living just out of the skins alone, and the carcases, which he gave to the pigs, was a wonderfully thriving food. This leads to the question whether Bega should not have a freezing works like towns out west, where hundreds are making good wages, and look upon the rabbit as a source of livelihood.

Bomboka has gone into the matter in a practical way, and when the line from Cooma to Bombala is constructed it will approach the town within a distance of 13 miles, so they will have every facility for carrying on the rabbit industry.

FRUIT IN THE WEST.

A correspondent forwards a fine sample of some well-developed peaches grown in the town of Coonabarabran by Mr. Amos Beasley. They are large, good-flavoured fruit, and show what the district can produce. Our correspondent says:—"The grapes here are also very large, and this fruit illustrates in a marked manner the necessity of granting railway communication as speedily as possible. The district is capable of producing fruit of all descriptions equal to anything in the State."

"THE BEST IN THE WORLD."

THE NEW MARKETS.

A deputation, representing the fruitgrowers and agents who sell in the Belmore markets, yesterday waited on the Lord Mayor to ask that the fruit and vegetable sections of these markets should be transferred simultaneously to Engine-street. The accommodation for the vegetable section will be ready some time before that for the fruit, and the council proposes accordingly to transfer the vegetable section first.

Mr. W. Howarth said that the two sections of the business were so blended together that one could not be transferred without the other. Again, on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and Saturdays part of the markets opened at 4 a.m. and closed at 9 a.m. This early closing caused much inconvenience, especially to fruiterers who had country orders to fill. They asked that this part of the markets should be kept open until 1 o'clock at least on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

The Lord Mayor said he was glad they agreed the council was wise in providing plenty of room in the new markets. Paddy's Market was a disgrace to the city, and he was determined to wipe it out this year. A quarter of a million would be spent at Engine-street on land alone, and probably another £150,000 on the buildings. And their markets would be the best in the world. But he was not justified in keeping back the vegetable section until he was ready for the fruit. Instead of losing business, there would be an enormous increase as soon as proper facilities were provided. He hoped to submit a scheme of competition for the best places in the markets, which had worked well in England, and would be fair to all. The whole system would be complete in two years. He saw no reason why temporary accommodation for the fruiterers should not be put up in the new markets when the vegetable section was transferred.

LAND SELECTED.

The following statement shows the lands selected and the area made available for settlement during the week ended March 17 of this year, and during the 10 weeks from January 1, 1909, to March 17, 1909:—

Class of Holding.	During the week ending March 17, 1909. No. of Applicants.	During the week ending March 17, 1909. Area. Acres.	During the 10 weeks from January 1, 1909. No. of Applicants.	During the 10 weeks from January 1, 1909. Area. Acres.
ORIGINAL HOLDINGS.				
Applied for as—				
Original conditional purchase	21	3,726	261	36,940
Conditional leases applied for simultaneously with and in virtue of these C.C.P.'s	(17)	5,992	(151)	50,666
Conditional purchase leases	1	800	38	25,135
Original homestead selections	18	2,396	50	8,528
Original settlement leases	10	35,616	42	130,652
Settlement purchases	1	561	122	54,311
Total of new settlers	61	50,091	513	317,222
ADDITIONAL HOLDINGS.				
Applied for as—				
Additional conditional purchases (of Crown lands)	27	7,532	209	37,728
Conditional leases not taken simultaneously with O.C.P.'s	45	23,330	269	98,088
Additional homestead selections	4	12,790	24	18,532
Additional settlement leases	1	500	8	12,975
Total	77	44,152	510	166,274

STOCKOWNERS' ASSOCIATION.

At the regular monthly meeting of the Stockowners' Association of New South Wales held yesterday, a letter was received from the Chief Commissioner for New South Wales Railways, in reply to a deputation last January, notifying that the department had decided to refund all deposits lodged on account of live stock trucks where orders had been cancelled, and pointing out that in future orders for live stock waggons will not be accepted for a longer period than three weeks in advance. It was decided to endorse the action taken by the Chief Commissioner, provided that all orders for trucks are filled within the three weeks mentioned.

The report from the sub-committee, consisting of members of the various bodies, in reference to the proposed new abattoirs, was laid on the table, and it was resolved that a resolution endorsing the advisability of the Government erecting new stock yards within the vicinity of the new abattoirs be forwarded to the Premier and the Minister for Works.

In reference to the appointment of the new inspector of stock this association strongly urged the Government to confer with the representative bodies of pastoral interests before an appointment is made for this important post. It was decided to draw the attention of the Chief Commissioner for Railways to the insufficient ventilation of stock trucks that have been recently placed in commission.

PEEL RIVER RESUMPTION.

TAMWORTH.—On Thursday at the Arbitration Court in connection with the resumed area of the Peel River estate, Mr. Thomas Bowman, of the Manilla district, valued the first-quality wheat land ready for the plough within a radius of six miles of the railway station at £5 to £5 10s acre. Mr. William Sendall, surveyor, and member of the Northern District Advisory Board, recalled, gave evidence concerning the bores which had been put down in different parts of the resumed land. He stated that in every case the water was found to be below the clay subsoil.

FARMERS' MEETINGS.

CORAMBA.—At the annual meeting of the Coramba P., A., and H. Association, Mr. H. Playford was elected president. The balance-sheet showed a credit balance of £50 14s 7d (without subsidy), after an expenditure of £115 in permanent improvements on the ground. It was decided to hold the next show on Wednesday and Thursday, February 16 and 17, 1910.

THE LOWER LACHLAN.

HAY.—The annual meeting of the Lower Lachlan River Association, formed for the purpose of protecting the interests of the landholders in the Lower Lachlan country, was held at Booligal on Saturday. The balance-sheet showed that the association had a small credit balance. The following office-bearers for the ensuing year were elected:—President, Mr. J. T. Barnett, Booligal; vice-president, Mr. G. W. Barnett, Allona; secretary, Mr. J. J. Harris, Bank Station; committee, Messrs. E. Nicholson, C. Parker, J. Eade, G. T. Esplin, T. Colravy, J. Tully, W. Giddins, F. W. Gulson, C. J. Boxshall, L. Bell, G. J. Turner, A. Walsh, and P. J. Flanagan.

AGRICULTURAL SHOWS.

CLARENCE.

GRAFTON.—The 42nd annual exhibition of the Clarence Pastoral and Agricultural Association was opened on Wednesday by Mr. A. Deakin, M.P., and was continued on Thursday. The gate receipts on Wednesday were £36 10s, and on Thursday £190 4s 6d. Awards:—

Horses.—Blood stallion: F. Phyllis's Mandrake, prize and champion. Blood mare: Goodger's Marvella, prize and champion, also prize for blood with foal. 13st hackney: S. Noble's Crescent. 11st hackney: G. Kratz's Alga. Lady's hackney: G. Kratz's Alga. Champion hack: F. H. McKittrick's Merry Andrew. All-round horse: J. Carlton's Rainbow. Best horsewoman: Mrs. Clark. Heavy cavalry horse: J. Carlton's Marchioness. Light cavalry horse: J. Carlton's Rainbow. Coaching stallion: A. Gerard's Thunderclap. Coaching mare: J. Johnson's Victoria. Galloway stallion: J. A. Long's Pilgrim. Trotting stallion: J. Murphy's Sarama. Champion stallion: J. Murphy's Ettricks Here, prize and champion. Draught mare: M. Tarrant's Blossom, prize and champion.

Dairy Cattle.—In Ayrshires: T. Bawden's Daisy Lad, prize and champion bull; J. A. McLachlan, prize and champion; for cow, the latter also taking the prize for pen of three heifers. T. Hadfield took the prize and champion for Jersey bull; also the prize for one and two years old heifers. J. Murphy took the prize for three heifers. In Durhams, C. Watkins' Lovely Knight took the prize and champion, also grand champion, for the best bull on the ground. Two-year-old bull: R. Carr's Gratis. For Durham cow: P. Walker, prize and champion. Durham cow, dry: E. Fernance Queen, 1; P. Walker, 2. Prizes for two and three-year-old heifers in crossbreds: P. Walker, J. R. Taylor, and E. Fernance divided. Pen three cows in milk: E. Fernance. Pen two-year-old heifers: P. Walker. Ditto, under 2yrs: P. Walker. Ditto, under 1yr: P. Walker. Bull and two of progeny: J. R. Taylor. Group dairy cattle: P. Walker. Champion dairy bull, over 2yrs: P. Walker. Grand champion cow: E. Fernance's Plum, 1; P. Walker's Princess, 2 and reserve champion. Champion dairy heifer: H. W. Lindeman's Ivy.

Pigs.—H. P. Leonard, prize and champion for Berkshire sow. G. Parnell, prize and champion for Poland-China boar.

Poultry.—Hewitt and Harrison, of Lismore, scored best in Orpingtons; C. Jordon next. Miss H. Gulliford was the chief prize-taker in Plymouth Rocks. Hewitt and Harrison divided principal honours in Wyandottes. Mrs. C. Everingham was most successful in the game classes. G. Wingfield secured the most prizes in Leghorns.

Farm Produce.—Ford Bros. and H. T. Ford took the majority of prizes in the maize section. The potato prizes went to J. W. Davison for old, Ford Bros. for Circular Heads and collection of potatoes, J. H. Crisp for Brownell's Beauty; H. T. Ford; for Early Rose, Ford Bros. for sub-district collection.

Manufactures.—Collection soap: F. Mann. Silk: P. C. Sanders. Factory butter: Fresh Food and Ice Company, 95 points, 1; Pioneer Dairy Company, Ulmarra, 93 points, 2. Honey, beeswax: W. Ager, 1. Waugh and Josephson, of Sydney, were awarded the prize for dairy appliances and the best collection of imported implements.

Maiden hunters' jump: A. J. Clark's Dick, 88 points, 1; Clugstone and Elliott's Seaweed, 82, 2. Galloway hunters: A. Gerrard's Gambo, 115 points, 1; C. J. Gilbert's Bobs, 110, 2. Hunting pony: Clugstone and Elliott's Ned Kelly, 99 points, 1; R. Hann's Tiny Tich, 90, 2. High jump: Clugstone and Elliott's Half-holiday cleared bar at 6ft 2in; G. Nottle's Silvermine and J. T. Foran's Marvellous tieing for second after clearing 5ft 9½in. Trotting mare: J. M'Donald's Mabel. Trotting mare or gelding: E. Murphus. Pony trot: Mrs. L. Russell's Fairy Lady, driver Mrs. R. Clark, who also took the prize for lady's jump. Girl rider: Topsy Watts. Boy rider: Rowland Richardson. Best all round pony: E. S. Cotton's Chum. Sixty cobs maize, yielding greatest weight of grain: H. T. Ford, 42lb, 1; P. Kritsch took most of the prizes in coachbuilding in the light classes of vehicles, Morrissey and Son winning in the heavier type.

HUNTER RIVER.

WEST MAITLAND.—The Hunter River Agricultural show was continued on Thursday. The attendance was about 4500, and the gate receipts £170.

Additional awards:—

Pony Trot, in saddle, for ponies under 14 hands: Tittel Brune, 1; Windsor Belle, 2. Pony trot, in harness: J. G. Markham, 1; E. Wright, 2; J. G. Markham, 3. Water jump: J. Hanlon's The King, 34ft, 1; A. L. Payne's Auburn, 22ft 8in, 2; A. Cameron's Sunshine, 30ft, 3. The winner's jump is a record for New South Wales. Trotting, in saddle: T. Bellamy (10s bhd), 1; J. Enright (22s bhd), 2. Federal Hunters' Plate, £20: Eroni Bros.' Sunlight, 1; Eroni Bros.' Fairlight, 2; Eroni Bros.' Sunshine and Vollmer's Chieftain, tie for third prize. Best collection farm, garden, and dairy produce: Prevost Bros. Cow, giving greatest amount butter fat in 24 hours: A. Vereoe, of Bolwarra. Three cows, producing greatest amount of butter fat in 24 hours: F. Fenwick, of Miller's Forest.

LIVERPOOL LIVE STOCK EXHIBITION.

Additional awards:—

Horses.—Pony, 14 hands and under, but over 13 hands, driven: J. Gordon, 1; C. A. Crammond, 2. Pony, 14 hands and under, but over 13 hands, ridden: J. Gordon. Pony mare, 13 hands and under, owned in Liverpool police district, to be led: A. Morris, 1 and special. 13 hands pony trot (handicap): A. H. Rogers' Jennie, 1; W. Gaban's Daisy, 2.

Cattle (dairy).—Ayrshire cow: M. O'Keefe. Jersey cow: S. T. Pearce. Dairy cow: J. Clarke, 1; F. Moore, 2. Three heifers, 2yrs and under, bred by exhibitor, and bearing his brands: F. Moore, 1; J. Clark, 2. Heifer, 2yrs: J. Clark, 1; J. Park, 2. Heifer, 1yr: F. Moore. Bull: F. Moore.

Dogs.—Greyhound dog: J. S. Perry's, 1; W. Stoneham and Mrs. F. Clifford (divide), 2. Bitch: J. S. Perry, 1; W. Neville, 2. Beagle dog: W. Burgess, 1; A. W. Childs, 2. Bitch: J. Meskelyne, 1; J. Meehan, 2. Cattle dog: C. S. Pettit, 1; F. Fortescue, 2. Bitch, H. P. Smith, 1; C. S. Pettit, 2. Fox terrier dog: Mrs. Cousins, 1; G. Hull, 2. Bitch: L. Whittaker, 1; A. Smith, 2. Collie dog or bitch: Mrs. S. Smith, 1; Mrs. Gorry, 2. Irish terrier dog or bitch: J. Melbourne, 1; Domain Brothers, 2. Australian terrier dog: J. B. Matterson, 1 and 2. Bitch: J. B. Matterson, 1 and 2. Spaniel dog or bitch: J. Maude, 1; F. Beale, 2. Kelpie dog or bitch: J. O'Brien, 1; L. J. Ashcroft, 2. Barb dog or bitch: J. Dickson, 1; S. Billett, 2. Dog or bitch, any other breed: J. Dickson, 1; J. Maude, 2.

Poultry.—Best half-dozen cockerels, suitable for export, W. W. Smith. Australian game cock: H. E. Power, 1; J. Bull, 2. Hen, A. E. Power, 1; Chippendale and Wall, 2. British cock: H. E. Power; Hen: H. E. Power, 1 and 2. Indian cock: G. E. O. Craft. Hen: H. E. Power. Malay cock: H. E. Power, 1; G. E. O. Craft, 2. Hen: H. E. Power, 1 and 2. Pile game, cock and hen: H. E. Power. Dorking, cock and hen: H. E. Power. Hamburg, cock and hen: H. E. Power. White Leghorn cock: R. Bourdman, 1; G. E. O. Craft, 2. Hen: Mrs. C. A. Cannon, 1; J. Roughley, 2. Brown Leghorn, cock: J. Roughley, 1; R. Boardman, 2. Hen: W. Jordan, 1 and 2. Leghorn, cock, and other variety: H. P. Smith, 1; J. Harvison, 2. Black Orpington cock: Mrs. C. A. Cannon. Hen: Mrs. C. A. Cannon. Pullet: G. E. O. Craft, 1; Chippendale and Wall, 2. Buff Orpington, cock: Mrs. C. A. Cannon, 1; G. E. O. Craft, 2. Hen: Mrs. C. A. Cannon, 1 and 2. Any other colour, Orpington cock and hen: Mrs. C. A. Cannon, 1; G. E. O. Craft, 2. Plymouth Rock cock: J. Hicks, jun., 1; A. E. Power, 2. Hen: J. Hicks, jun., 1; J. Munro, 2. Golden Wyandotte cock and hen: R. Bennett, 1. Silver Wyandotte hen: C. J. Smith, 1; Chippendale and Wall, 2. White Wyandotte cock: W. W. Smith, 1; H. E. Power, 2. Hen: W. W. Smith, 1 and 2. Any other colour Wyandotte cock: S. Rutherford, 1; G. E. O. Craft, 2. Hen: S. Rutherford, 1; H. E. Power, 2. Bantam, cock and hen: G. Anderson, 1; J. English, 2. Three pairs ducks, suitable for export: G. E. O. Craft, 1 and 2 and special. Muscovy duck and drake: W. J. McVicker, 1; G. E. O. Craft, 2. Indian runner drake: G. N. Ayling, 1; G. E. O. Craft, 2. Duck: G. E. O. Craft, 1; W. Jordon, 2. Rouen duck and drake: G. E. O. Craft, 1 and 2. Pekin duck and drake: G. E. O. Craft, 1 and 2. Turkey, cock and hen: Mrs. I. B. Bowley.

MUDGEE.

(FROM OUR SPECIAL REPORTER.)

MUDGEE.—The Mudgee show was opened by the Chief Secretary on Thursday, thousands of people being present from all parts of the district. The president, Mr. V. D. Cox, presided. Mr. Wood said he was glad to associate himself with the doings of agricultural societies. He had never seen better school exhibits than those represented at the show. They reflected great credit on the teachers and children. Ten years ago the value of agricultural and pastoral products was £20,000,000; in 1908 its value increased to £34,000,000. Mudgee had made wonderful strides in dairying alone. The increase during the period mentioned had been something like tenfold. The policy of the Government in a limited time will provide all the land wanted. (Cheers.) Additional awards:—

Sheep.—Merinos—Fine-woolled ram, 2yrs. and over: Rouse Bros., 1 and g. ch. and 2. Ditto, under 2yrs.: Rouse Bros., 1 and 2. Ditto, under 12 months: R. W. White, 1; Rouse Bros., 2. Fine-woolled ewe, 2yrs. and over: Rouse Bros., 1 and 2. Under 2yrs.: R. W. White, 1; Mrs. M. H. Cox, 2. Ditto, under 12 months: Mrs. M. H. Cox, 1; R. W. White, 2. Medium-wool ram, 2yrs. and over: Rouse Bros., 1 and reserve g. ch. Medium-woolled ram, under 2yrs.: Rouse Bros., 1; Mrs. H. M. Cox, 2. Ditto, under 12 months: D. and E. Cox. Medium-woolled ewe, 2yrs.: D. and E. Cox, 1; Rouse Bros., 2. Medium-woolled ewe, under 2yrs.: Rouse Bros., 1 and g. ch.; D. and E. Cox, 2. Ditto, under 12 months: Mrs. M. H. Cox, 1; R. W. White, 2. Pen three fine-woolled rams: R. W. White. Ditto, ewes: R. W. White. British Lincoln ram, any age: P. Abernethy, 1; W. Abernethy, 2. Ewe, ditto: W. Abernethy, 1; A. O. Harris, 2. Shropshires—Ram, any age: A. Brown. Ditto, ewe: B. F. Cox. Farmers' sheep—Fine-woolled ram, 2yrs. and over: H. H. Tomkins, 1; Jos. Keech, 2. Ditto, under 2yrs.: Jos. Keech, 1; H. H. Tomkins, 2. Fine-woolled ewe, over 2yrs.: Jos. Keech. Ditto, under 2yrs.: Jos. Keech, 1; J. D. Dykes, 2. Medium-woolled ram, 2yrs.: H. H. Tomkins. Ditto, under 2yrs.: Jos. Keech. Pen of three fine-woolled ewes: Jos. Keech. Fat sheep—Pen of merino wethers: Executors V. J. Dowling, 1; J. C. Gunnell, 2. Crossbred wethers: A. M. and V. D. Cox, 1; H. C. Wilson, 2. Three crossbred lambs: Executors late V. J. Dowling, 1; J. C. Gunnell, 2.

Gent.'s hackney, to carry not less than 14st: Executors V. J. Dowling, 1; H. C. Rouse, 2. Gent.'s hackney, to carry not less than 11st: J. Workman. Lady's hackney, to be ridden by a lady: S. B. Rouse, 1; J. B. Dykes, 2. Equestrienne, amateur only: Miss L. V. Garling, 1; Miss L. Keenan, 2. Pony, 14 hands and under, to be ridden by a lady: R. Oldfield, 1; H. Hawkins, 2. Pony hackney, 13 hands, boy rider: Lester Bruce, 1; J. H. P. Gudgeon, 2. Boy's hackney: Executors V. J. Dowling, 1; J. R. Atkinson, 2. Buggy horse, over 14.3: A. Irving Cox, 1; C. Grady, 2. Buggy galloway, 14.1: J. R. Atkinson, 1; executors V. J. Dowling, 2. Pair buggy horses: G. A. Higgins, 1; Jno. Workman, 2. Buggy pony, under 14.1: Alan M. Cox, 1; executors V. J. Dowling, 2. Pair buggy ponies: H. Hawkins, 1; C. D. Cox, 2. Sulky horse: J. R. Atkinson, 1; G. A. Higgins, 2. Springcart horse: W. C. Mills, 1; J. Le Brun, 2. Pair ponies, driven in tandem: Executors V. J. Dowling, 1; H. Hawkins, 2. Polo pony: Alan M. Cox, 1; executors V. J. Dowling, 2. Special boy or girl's pony: H. Hawkins. Best business turnout: J. Kurtz, 1; Jno. Workman, 2. Horse, suitable for cavalry work: Exors. V. J. Dowling. Best sulky horse and turnout: J. R. Atkinson. Farmer's hackney: G. Rayner. Best sulky pony: J. R. Atkinson, 1; A. M. Cox, 2. Best farmer's sulky turnout: Wm. Mogg. Best foal, progeny of Young Who Goes There: C. B. Heath, 1; H. E. Lowe, 2. Best draught filly foal: A. M. and V. D. Cox. Best draught foal, under 12 months: W. T. Paine. Yearling colt or filly, progeny of a pony, 14 hands: A. M. and V. D. Cox. Ditto, best foal at foot: M. H. Cox. Best foal, colt or filly, progeny of Orator: M. R. Lowe. Best coaching filly, 1 year and under 2 years: J. Le Brun. Best mare, producing trotting hackneys and coaching horses: J. Le Brun, 1; W. T. Paine, 2. Best trotting filly, 1 year and under 3 years: G. Bagnell. Pony, jumping, 14 hands and under, rider under 16 years: A. Rohr, 1; W. Croome, 2. Trotting events: All-comers' handicap time trot, two miles: Fred. C. Jones, 1; W. T. Paine, 2. Ditto, mile: E. C. Wilkins, 1; W. T. Paine, 2. Local handicap time trot, one and a half mile: Mrs. W. Gawthorne, 1; W. T. Paine, 2. Maiden trot: E. C. Wilkins, 1; A. Eaton, 2. Pony trot handicap: D. Donovan. Local farmers' handicap time trot, 1¼ mile: W. Sawyer, 1; W. T. Pitt, 2.

Wines.—Principal winners: J. and T. M'William, J. G. Wurth, F. Roth, L. Roth, A. Roth. Local class wines—Winners: J. G. Wurth, A. Roth, Fred Roth.

Agriculture.—Exhibit in bee-culture: H. Cox, 1; J. T. Bower, 2. Honey: W. Shaw, 1 and 2. Beeswax: H. Cox, 1; W. Shaw, 2. Beehive, locally made: W. Shaw, 1; J. T. Bower, 2. Grand champion interparish competition; West Mudgee, 1; East Mudgee, 2. Farmer's trophy: H. E. Cox, 1; A. Muller, 2. Fruit.—Principal winners: L. Roth, Geo. Roth, Ernest Pye, A. Roth, J. H. Tomkins, H. Gorrie, H. Gawthorne, J. Hedger, L. Roth. Poultry.—Principal winners: H. Cox, P. Abernethy, Mrs. George Rowswell, R. Jones, W. D. Cox, W. Kirkland, A. E. Pollard, W. Kirkland, J. M'Donnell, J. H. Hemsworth, E. Ryan, Mrs. V. D. Cox, A. E. Holland, D. R. Acton, A. T. March, T. Robinson, L. A. Casimer, C. Hazeltine, Geo. Hazeltine, E. E. Rouse, A. Wade, D. R. Acton, W. R. Hayes, Abernethy, P. J. Rheinberger, H. J. M'Pherson, A. E. Cox. Best bird in show: W. B. Cox. Best Silver Wyandotte, pullet: W. D. Cox. Farm Produce.—Principal winners: H. H. White, G. F. Oram, F. Roth, R. S. Mogg, F. Roth, W. Phipps, H. O. Woolley, Thos. Mills, A. Irving Cox, Joseph Keech, A. M. and V. D. Cox, W. W. Millet, Wal. Mogg, H. Cox, Frank Hughes, Ah Sing, H. H. White.

NIMITYBELLE.

NIMITYBELLE.—The show was continued on Wednesday in fine weather, and good attendance. Further awards:—

Horses.—Blood stallion: Leo. Witton, 1; Jas. Malin, 2. Draught stallion: Jas. Malin, 1; J. D. Wilton, 2. Pair plough horses: J. Alcock. Most useful farm gelding or mare: J. Alcock. Gelding or mare for light harness: J. Hukins. Pair light geldings or mares, double harness: J. Hukins. Hackney, up to 12st: J. Malin. Hackney, up to 15st: M. A. Baird. Hackney, ridden by a lady: J. Malin. 11st hackney: Fred. Alcock. Light hackney, owner to reside within 15 miles of Nimitybelle: J. Malin. Heavy hackney (15 miles radius): M. A. Baird. Maiden hunters: R. Thompson. Turnout: J. Hukins. Draught gelding or filly, 2yrs and under 3yrs: Leo. Witton. Draught gelding or filly, 1yr and under 2yrs: J. Malin. Lady and gent.'s pair hacks: F. Alcock. Pony jumps: Moses. Pony hackney: J. Mooney. Pony single harness, 14 hands: J. A. Pearson. Ponies, double harness, 14 hands: J. A. Pearson. Pony 13.2, single harness: C. Murphy. Pair ponies, 13.2: J. A. Pearson. Pony hackney, 13.2: C. Murphy. Gelding or mare, spring-cart: Sam. Green. Draught gelding, 1yr and under 2yrs: Jas. Malin. Blood gelding or filly: J. B. Alcock. Blood foal at foot: J. H. Alcock. Yearling, by Syrus: J. Taylor. Buckjump riders: Baker and G. Robinson divided. Woodchopping contest: T. Summerell.

Cattle.—Beef bull: Jardine and Co. Beef cow: T. Gain. Dairy bull: Jardine and Co. Dairy cow: T. Gain. Cow giving greatest quantity of milk: E. Thompson. Pen 3 dairy heifers: R. J. Williams. Pen 3 store bullocks: Thornton. Fat bullock: Jardine and Co. Fat cow: George Clarke.

SOUTHERN NEW ENGLAND.

URALLA.—The Southern New England show was continued on Thursday in fine weather. The attendance was very good. Awards:—

Blood Section.—Mare, over 3yrs: John Gratten. Filly, 2yrs: Richard Wilkinson. Filly, 1 year: W. J. M'Sliplin. Foal at foot: G. C. Roberts. Coaching section.—Stallion: E. C. Bloomfield. Mare: John Gratten. Miscellaneous section.—Maiden hackneys: W. H. Sutherland. Maiden buggy mare or gelding: J. Davidson, 1; W. P. Lawler, 2. Lady's hackney: W. H. Sutherland. Cavalry horse, galloway: Elsie F. White. Pony entire: John Dickinson. Over 13.2: C. E. White. Pony, to be ridden, over 13 hands: H. F. White. Under 13 hands: G. Gratten. Pair buggy mares, ponies: Hector Cameron. Sulky pony, over 13 hands: A. Bradley. Under 13 hands: W. Crapp. Springcart horses: M. J. Hounnessy. Trotting horse: J. Davidson. Pony: R. Crapp. Maiden hunter: R. Wilkinson. Maiden high jump: W. Lawler. Pony high jump: J. S. Eroni. Champion hunter: W. Lawler. Champion high jump: J. Eroni. Clydesdale section.—Stallion: George Rixon. Colt, entire, over 2yrs: L. E. Wiseman. Under 2yrs: E. C. Bloomfield. Filly: T. M. Heagney. Foal: T. Bourke. Suffolk stallion: R. Wilkinson. Mare, over 3yrs: C. Lasker. Under 3yrs: C. Lasker. Foal: C. Lasker. Best draught, tried in lorry: Wilkinson. Pair farm horses: J. Blanch. Team four horses and farm waggon: R. Wilkinson. Best draught gelding on the ground: R. Wilkinson.

YASS.

YASS.—The Yass P. and A. Association opened its thirty-eighth annual exhibition on Wednesday, and it was continued on Thursday, the weather being fine and warm on both days, and the attendance very fair. The entries this year totalled over 2900, being a record for the society. Sheep, cattle, and industrial sections show the principal increases. The rains which have fallen since the beginning of the year no doubt had a beneficial effect on the show. The Yass district will have a good autumn, as the face of the country is clothed in a fine, vigorous growth of grass. The brightest feature of the show was the exhibition of sheep. The open classes were well supported, while there was a pleasing rally of sheepmen in the farmers' classes. The grand champion ram was shown by Mr. George Merriman, of Yass, this being the animal which won at Goulburn last week, a magnificent Tasmanian ram. The grand champion ewe came from the farmers' classes, the successful exhibitor being Mr. G. W. Merriman, who won the tricolour with a ewe bred by himself from a Vale View ram and ewe. The horse section held interesting features. The maiden trot was won by Mr. W. J. Leahy's Venecia, and maiden hunters by Mr. R. C. M'Coll's Scotch Reel. An accident occurred to Mr. James Tait's Dart in this contest. The hunter struck the logs heavily, threw the rider, Mr. Fred. Tait, over the fence, and then fell on him. He was removed to the hospital, but his injuries are not regarded as serious. The president, Mr. R. Harvey, welcomed the visitors to the show, and the secretary, Mr. Will Thomson, had the arrangements perfect.

Awards:—

Horses.—Blood stallion: Thos. Grace's Trentmoor. Colt, 3 to 4 yrs: S. G. Palmer. Colt, under 1yr: F. Bliss. Mare, 4yrs or over, with foal: T. J. Sheekey's Madeline. Ditto, open: F. H. Johnston's Epona, 1; T. J. Sheekey's Madeline, 2. Filly, 2 to 3 yrs: P. Johnstone. Ditto, 1 to 2 yrs: Glover Bros. Trotters, mare, any age: J. J. Costigan's Rose Wilkes, and J. Leahy's Doll, divide. Draughts, stallion, 4yrs or over: Ellis Smith's Royal Prince. Colt, 2 and 3 yrs: E. M'Reynolds. Ditto, 1 to 2 yrs: W. T. Merriman. Mare, 4yrs or over, with foal: Jas. Collison. Ditto, open: Jas. Collison. Ditto, any age, with foal, by Young Samson: W. Bowden's Blossom. Filly, 3 to 4 yrs: G. Vallance. Ditto, 2 to 3 yrs: L. Roche. Ditto, 1 to 2 yrs: L. Roche. Ditto, under 1yr: E. M'Reynolds. Foal, under 12 months: E. M'Reynolds. Ditto, by special sire: T. W. Faulder and Thos. Grace. Farm stallion, any age, for getting farm stock: Ellis Smith's Royal Prince. Pair district farm horses: A. F. Lloyd. Championship blood stallion: Thos. Grace's Trentmoor. Mare: F. Johnstone's Epona. Trotting mare: J. Costigan's Rose Wilkes. Draught stallion: Ellis Smith's Royal Prince. Mare: Jas. Collison.

Ponies and Galloways.—Stallion, 13 hands and under: R. Duddleston's Little Tuxedo, 1; S. Matthews, 2. 14 hands or under: R. Duddleston. Mare, 14 hands or under, with foal: E. H. Barber. Mare, under 14.2: S. Ranyard. Galloway mare, 14 to 14.2: A. B. Triggs' Jill, 1. General utility stallion: Thos. Grace's Trentmoor.

Miscellaneous.—Buggy horse or mare, over 14½ hands (driven): J. Leahy's Venecia, 1; J. Leahy's Doll, 2. Pony, 13 to 14 hands (driven): Jas. Sand's Cuba, 1; Pearce and Charteris, 2. Ditto, under 13 hands (driven): Barton's Silver King, 1; J. B. Ross, 2. Sulky turnout: A. B. Triggs, 1; J. J. Leahy, 2. Springcart horse: T. J. Sheekey, 1 and 2. Pony, 14 hands or under, ridden by boy: John M'Millen, 1; Pearce and Charteris, 2. Maiden trot, 2m, for district horses: J. Leahy's Venecia, 1; Robt. Dowling's Dexter, 2. Maiden hunters: Chas. M'Coll's Scotch Reel, 1; F. J. Barton's Railway, 2. Pony jump, for ponies under 13.2 hands, ridden by boy: H. J. Barber, 1; W. M'Clung, 2.

Cattle.—Durham or beef shorthorn bull, 3yrs or over: Jas. Collison, 1; D. M'Kinnon, 2. Ditto, 1 to 2 yrs: D. M'Kinnon. Cow, 3yrs or over: D. M'Kinnon, 1. Heifer: D. M'Kinnon. Hereford bull, any age: A. Shaw, 1; W. Huon, 2. Cow, 3yrs or over: A. Shaw, 1 and 2. Heifer, 2 to 3 yrs: A. Shaw, 1. Heifer, 1yr or under: A. Shaw. Devon bull: Ham Jones. Cow: Ham Jones, 1; E. M'Reynolds, 2. Dairy cattle (Jerseys), bull, any age: W. Buckmaster, 1; W. M'Clung, 2. Cow, any age: Jessie Thomson, 1; W. M'Clung, 2. Heifer: W. M'Clung. Ayrshires—Bull: E. M'Reynolds. Cow: E. M'Reynolds, 1 and 2. Heifer: E. M'Reynolds. Milking Shorthorns—Bull, any age: E. M'Reynolds, 1; M. Langtree, 2. Ditto, cow: E. M'Reynolds, 1 and 2. Ditto, heifer, under 3yrs: G. Vallance, 1; E. Barber, 2. Ditto, under 12 months: M. Langtree, 1; G. Vallance, 2. Dairy cattle, other breeds—Bull, any age: E. M'Reynolds. Cow: E. M'Reynolds, 1 and 2. Heifer: John Smith, 1; E. M'Reynolds, 2. Pen of 3 cows: John Smith, 1; E. M'Reynolds, 2. Pen of heifers, under 3yrs: H. Barber, 1; Harris Bros., 2. Ditto, under 2yrs: W. Buckmaster, 1; H. Barber, 2. Ditto, 12 months: E. M'Reynolds, 1 and 2. Ditto, six months: E. M'Reynolds, 1; W. Huon, 2. Bull and progeny: E. M'Reynolds, 1 and 2. Fat cattle—Fat ox: John Smith, 1; E. Davis, 2. Fat cows: J. Collison, 1; E. Davis, 2. Pen fat oxen: John Smith, 1; E. Davis, 2. Ditto, cows: Jas. Collison, 1; E. Davis, 2.

Championships.—Dairy bull: E. M'Reynolds. Milking Shorthorn dairy cow: E. M'Reynolds (Ayrshire). Champion beef bull: A. Shaw (Hereford); runner-up, Jas. Collison (Durham). Ditto, cow: A. Shaw (Hereford).

Sheep.—Merino—Open classes, ram: 2½yrs or over: Geo. Merriman, Yass, 1; Geo. and G. W. Merriman, Yass, 2. Ditto, 1½ to 2½ years: Geo. Merriman, 1; S. Davis, 2. Ram, hogget: W. M'Clung, 1; Geo. Merriman, 2. Ewe, 2½yrs or over 3yrs: Grace, 1; C. Hall, 2. Ditto, 1½yr to 2½yrs: G. Vallance, 1; Thos. Grace, 2. Ewe, hogget: Thos. Grace, 1; C. Hall, 2. Ram, plain-bodied, any age: S. Vallance, 1; George Merriman, 2. Finewool ram, 2½yrs or over: C. C. Hall. Ditto, 1½ to 2½yrs: C. Hall, 1; George Merriman, 2. Ram, hogget, shorn: C. Hall, 1; George Merriman, 2. Ditto, unshorn: C. Hall, 1; George Merriman, 2. Ewe, 2½yrs or over: Thos. Grace. Ditto, 1½ to 2½yrs: C. Hall, 1; Thos. Grace, 2. Ewe hogget, shorn: C. Hall, 1; Geo. Merriman, 2. Ditto, unshorn: C. Hall, 1; Geo. Merriman, 2. Medium and strong ram, 2½yrs or over: C. Hall. Ditto, 1½ to 2½ yrs: Geo. Merriman, 1; C. Hall, 2. Ram, hogget, shorn: C. Hall, 1; Geo. Merriman, 2. Ditto, unshorn: C. Hall, 1; Geo. Merriman, 2. Ewe, 2yrs or over: C. Hall. Ditto, 1½ to 2½ yrs: C. Hall, 1; G. Vallance, 2. Ewe, hogget, shorn: C. Hall. Ditto, unshorn: C. Hall, 1; George Merriman, 2. Breeders' prize pen each of three rams and ewes under 2½yrs: C. Hall, 1; Geo. Merriman, 2. Ram and his progeny: Geo. Merriman, 1; C. Hall, 2. Pen three merino wethers, 3yrs or under: S. C. Maddrell. Pen, five merino flock rams, 1½yrs to 2yrs: W. T. Merriman.

Farmers' Sheep.—Ram, 2½yrs or over: Andrew Davis, 1; Sam Davis, 2. Ditto, 1½yr to 2½yrs: Sam Davis, 1; G. W. Merriman, 2. Ram hogget: G. Vallance. Ram, plain bodied, any age: G. Vallance, 1; E. S. Hall, 2. Ewe, 2½yrs or over: Andrew Davis, 1; E. Hall, 2. Ditto, 1½yr to 2½yrs: G. W. Merriman, 1; E. S. Davis, 2. Ewe, 1½yr to 2½yrs: G. W. Merriman, 1; S. Davis, 2. Ewe, hogget: E. Hall, 1; G. W. Merriman, 2. Ewe, plain bodied, any age: S. Vallance, 1; E. Hall, 2. Class bred by exhibitor, ram, 2½yrs or over: Andrew Davis, 1; G. W. Merriman, 2. Ditto, 1½yr to 2½yrs: G. W. Merriman, 1; Andrew Davis, 2. Ram hogget, shorn: W. M'Clung, 1; G. W. Merriman, 2. Ditto, unshorn: G. W. Merriman, 1; W. T. Merriman, 2. Ewe, 2½yrs or over: S. Davis, 1; E. Hall, 2. Ditto, 1½yr to 2½yrs: G. W. Merriman, 1; G. Vallance, 2. Ewe hogget, shorn, G. Vallance, 1; G. W. Merriman, 2. Ditto, unshorn: W. M'Clung, 1; G. Vallance, 2. Pen three hogget ewes: W. M'Clung, 1; E. Hall, 2. Merino ram and progeny: W. M'Clung, 1; S. Davis, 2. Pen three merino wethers, 2yrs or under: G. W. Merriman, 1; Andrew Davis, 2. Pair merino hoggets: G. W. Merriman, 1; W. T. Merriman, 2.

Championships.—Champion ram, bred or bought: George Merriman. Ditto, ewe: G. Vallance. Fine wool ram: C. C. Hall. Ditto, ewe: C. C. Hall. Medium and strong wool ram: C. Hall. Ditto, ewe: C. Hall. Farmers' ram, bred or bought: Davis. Ditto, ewe: Davis. Farmers' ram: Davis. Ditto, ewe: G. W. Merriman.

Grand Championships.—Best merino ram housed or unhoused: George Merriman, bred by executors T. Gibson. Ditto, ewe: G. W. Merriman, bred by exhibitor.

Long Wools.—Lincolns, ram, any age: Harris Bros. Ditto, ewe: Harris Bros. Romney Marsh ram, any age: H. Barber, 1 and 2. Shropshire ram, any age: Glower Bros., 1 and 2.

Fat Sheep.—Fattened by exhibitor, three fat merino wethers: Kenilworth estate, 1; George Merriman, 2. Ditto, ewes: Kenilworth estate, 1 and 2. Ditto, lambs: William Buckmaster, 1; C. Hall, 2. Coarse-woolled ewe: Harris Bros. Ditto, lambs: Harris Bros. Merino wethers, any age: W. T. Merriman.

Dogs.—Collie: D. Lynch. Bitch: W. Raynor. Sheepdog: Frank Comins. Fox-terrier: F. Thane. Terrier: Frank Bates. Sporting dog: J. Horton. Deerhound: F. Venables. Wolfhound, dog: H. Barber; bitch, F. Venables. Greyhound: J. Sainsbury. Dog or bitch: J. Thomson.

The chief prize-winners in poultry were:—H. E. Power, G. Venables, W. Crago, J. Thomson, D. J. Lynch, S. G. Marsh, F. Davidson, F. Venables, C. Keys, S. Sheriff, W. Thorn, G. Merriman, S. Madew. Champion cock or cockerel: H. Power (white Wyandotte). Ditto, hen or pullet: D. Pegren (white Leghorn).

Additional awards:—

Draught mare, 4yrs or over: Jas. Collison. Ditto, open: Jas. Collison. Pair buggy horses, over 14½ hands, driven: J. Leahy, 1; A. W. Triggs, 2. Pair galloways, 14 hands to 14.2, driven: J. Costigan, 1; A. B. Triggs, 2. Pair buggy ponies, 13 to 14 hands, driven: Pearce and Charteris, 1; G. Crow and Duddleston, 2. Ditto, under 13 hands: S. Ranyard, 1; H. Barber and W. M'Clung, 2. Tandem team, driven: A. B. Triggs, 1; S. Ranyard, 2. Single turnout, driven by lady: J. Leahy, 1; A. T. Triggs, 2. Trotter, in saddle or harness: J. Costigan, 1; J. Leahy, 2. Gent.'s hack, 10st: Chas. M'Coll, 1; W. J. Weir, 2. Ditto, 12st: W. Weir, 1; Chas. M'Coll, 2. Ditto, 14st: Chas. M'Coll, 1 and 2. Gent.'s hackney competition: Chas. M'Coll. Lady's hack: Chas. M'Coll, 1; W. J. Weir, 2. Pair hacks, lady and gentleman: C. M'Coll, 1; Geo. Clark, 2. Pony gelding or mare, 13 or under: Jas. Garner, 1; S. Matthews, 2. Do., ridden by W. M'Clung, 1; S. Matthews, 2. Pair ponies, ridden by girl and boy: H. Barber and W. M'Clung, 1; S. Matthews, 2. Best lady rider: Geo. Clark, 1; Miss Glasie, 2. Boy rider, under 12: Leo Sherd, 1; D. J. Lynch, 2. Girl rider: Marjorie Jones, 1; Nellie Whytt, 2. Girl rider, under 12: F. Magennis, 1; Joyce Jones, 2. Flag race, open: G. W. Merriman, 1; Ed. Davis, 2. Ditto, maiden horse: Ed. Davis, 1; J. C. Dowling, 2. Tandem race: D. P. Cullen, 1; Merriman and Pateman, 2. Trotting contests. Handicap trot, 2m, in harness: J. J. Costigan, 1. Handicap trot, 2m, in saddle: F. Johnston, 1; J. Costigan, 2. Handicap trot, 1m, for ponies 14 hands or under, ridden by boy: A. J. Meehan, 1; Jas. Croucher, 2. Grand hunting contest, carrying 12st: Chas. M'Coll's Highland Laddie (M'Coll), 1; W. J. Weir's Redleap (Nugent), 2; A. P. Wade's Squire John (Thorne), 3. Ladies' hunter: Chas. M'Coll's Lady Betty (Mrs. M'Coll), 1; W. J. Weir's Redleap (Miss Glazie) and A. Wade's Ivanhoe (Miss B. Kiley), divide second. Pony jump, 13.2 to 14.2 hands: W. M'Clung, 1; H. J. Barber, 2. High jump: A. Wade's Squire (John Thorne), 1; Chas. M'Coll's Lady Betty (M'Coll), 2. Water jump: W. J. Weir's Robin Adair, 19ft 8½in, 1; A. Wade's Squire John, 2. Cow, giving greatest quantity milk: E. M'Reynolds, 1; John Smith, 2. Farm Produce.—Wheat: R. Boswell. Maize, large: D. M'Kinnon. Small: R. Boswell. Large cob: D. M'Kinnon. Small cob: Jas. Tate. Barley: J. Tate and R. Boswell. Oats: R. Boswell. Rye: R. Boswell. Wheaten hay: R. Boswell. Oaten: R. Boswell. Lucerne: J. Jones. Chaff, wheaten: A. Triggs. Oaten: R. Boswell. Potatoes: Rev. Turner. Ditto, collection: W. Edgerton. Fruit.—Almonds: A. Crago. Walnuts: Jas. Tate. Apples: Dessert, Jas. Buckmaster; cooking, T. Griffin. Collection, dessert: S. Best. Ditto, cooking: S. Best. Pears: Dessert, E. M'Reynolds; cooking, S. Best. Collection: F. Griffin. Peaches: Mrs. Knox. Figs: F. Frost. Plums: S. Best. Quinces: Wm. Morton. Grapes: E. Merriman. Collection: Jas. Dalhouse. Dairy Produce.—Butter, salted: Mrs. M. Johnson. Bacon: R. Boswell. Lard: Andrew Davis. Wool.—Merino rams, greasy fleece, fine combing: Geo. Merriman. Ditto, ewe: Geo. Merriman. Medium to strong and wethers' fleece: Geo. Merriman. Farmers' Wool.—Ram, fine wool: W. T. Merriman. Ewe: W. T. Merriman. Medium and strong: W. T. Merriman. Sheepskins: H. Williamson, 1; W. M'Gregor, 2.

DISTRICT ITEMS.

COOLAMON.—Mr. Patten, M.L.C., addressed meetings of farmers in the district last week, and on Tuesday addressed an important audience of settlers in Coolamon on the principles and platform of the Farmers and Settlers' Association. At the close of the meetings steps were taken to form a branch in Coolamon.

FORBES.—At the Police Court, before the P.M. on Tuesday, eight landholders were prosecuted by the Forbes Pastures Protection Board for neglecting to destroy rabbits on their holdings. Mr. W. G. Dowling, inspector of stock, represented the board. H. A. Sharp, of Sisbania, pleaded guilty, and was fined £6 and costs, being a second offence; W. B. Montgomery, of Back Yamma, Phillip Denning, of Back Droubalgie, T. and P. Cannon, of Silver Row, Colin Gilmore, of Tichbourne, and Lewis May, of Back Yamma, were each fined £3 and costs. A. E. Cooke, of Warrigal, was fined £6 and costs, and H. T. Green, of Greenbrook, was fined £10 and costs, it being a second offence in each of the latter cases.

MURWILLUMBAH.—An inquiry was held by Mr. R. T. M'Kay, of the Water and Sewerage Board, regarding the drainage of the Duranbah Swamp. The scheme will cost £2000. Settlers will be required to pay a rate of 1s per acre per year to cover interest and sinking fund. Several witnesses wished the scheme to be carried out, but desired some modifications of the Government proposal.

WEST WYALONG.—A number of farmers have commenced sowing both oats and wheat, and in some cases the former is showing well. In a fortnight's time the seed drills will be at work in most places. Rain is needed at present where new ground has to be ploughed, but the outlook is so encouraging that a record area will be under crop this winter. The Bland shire council has during the past 18 months given much attention to the clearing of bush roads, and about 150 miles have been so treated. This will enable country producers to reach the local markets and railway station more speedily and safely than previously.

MANLY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY.

LOCALLY GROWN PEANUTS.

The Manly District Horticultural Society's Show, held in the Victoria Hall, proved a great success, the show of fruit being especially fine. There was a splendid attendance. The non-competitive exhibits included peanuts and watermelons grown in the district by Mr. M. G. Walker and the Mayor (Alderman J. Bonner). The judges were Mr. and Mrs. Blackwood and Messrs. J. W. Purves and Lockeley.

The prize list is as follows:—Fruit grown in Manly and district—Class A: W. Hatcher, 1; J. Larkins, h.c. Class B: Mrs. Rawlinson, 1; Mrs. Baylis, h.c. Vegetables: Miss A. Blank, h.c.; special prize, J. Bass. Cactus dahlias: W. Hatcher, 1; C. Hatcher, h.c. Collection of flowers: W. Hatcher. Cauliflowers: W. Hatcher, 1; Miss Wesley and Mr. Pauli, h.c. Cut flowers (non-competitive): G. G. Hole, H. Davenport, and C. Holloway, h.c. Pot plants—Section B: Mrs. Bass, 1; Miss Bishop and Mr. Bass, h.c. Champion plant exhibit: Mrs. Bass. Buttonhole: Miss Woolland. Floral table centre: Miss Hatcher, 1; Miss Seed, h.c. Bridal bouquet: Miss Hatcher. Hand bouquet: Miss Williams. Cut flowers (arranged by school children): Manly School. Two buttonholes (school children): Lottie Favyer, 1; E. Favyer, 2. Fruit jellies: Miss Hatcher. Home-made condiments: Miss Hatcher. Plate of scones: Miss Williamson, 1. Miss Warburton, Pearson and Vallack, h.c. Sultana cake: Mrs. Vallack. Jam sandwich: Miss Dunne, Misses Seed and Warburton, h.c. Pot plants—Section B: Mrs. Bass, Miss Bishop, and Mrs. Bass, h.c.

THE DREADNOUGHTS.

No, it's not Battleships we are referring to—but those wise people who habitually use

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in their houses, and who therefore dread nought in the shape of flue or other microbe-disseminating vermin.

COUNTRY NEWS.

BITTEN BY BROWN SNAKE.

SUTHERLAND, Wednesday.

Mr. Mortlock, of Miranda, had a narrow escape from a nasty snakebite on Monday. The snake, which was of the brown variety and about 5ft in length, made a savage bite at Mr. Mortlock's leg, but his clothing saved a deep wound, and the reptile did not make a deep puncture. After scarifying the wound the patient was treated by Dr. Rooke at Sutherland, who injected strychnine, and Mr. Mortlock is now out of danger.

QUARTER SESSIONS.

NARRANDERA, Thursday.

At the Quarter Sessions, before Judge Hamilton, Mr. J. Armstrong being Crown Prosecutor, Harry Vincent Reid, charged with entering the dwelling of Daniel Byrne at Henty on January 15, and stealing, was acquitted. John Pew, charged with maliciously and wilfully inflicting grievous bodily harm upon his wife, Eva Pew, on January 22, at Narrandera, was found guilty, and sentenced to six months' imprisonment, but released on his own recognisances to be of good behaviour. Frank Anderson, charged with stealing a silver watch and £4 2s 6d, the property of William Carter, at Narrandera, on February 9, was found guilty, and sentenced to 12 months' gaol.

BRAIDWOOD, Thursday.

At the Quarter Sessions to-day, Judge Fitzhardinge presiding, with Mr Dawson Crown Prosecutor, William Bradley was acquitted on two charges of sheep stealing.

BALLINA, Thursday.

Mr. W. M'Kinnon, who is leaving the district to enter upon business at Taree, was entertained last night by the Caledonian Society and the Sailing Club.

BARRABA, Thursday.

Mr. Charles White, sen., who recently met with a nasty accident, is progressing favourably.

BURROWA, Thursday.

A largely attended meeting of the Burrowa District Railway League was held at the Mechanics' Institute, Mr. Tiddy, vice-president, in the chair. Messrs. T. Stevenson, Watson, and Tiddy were selected to form part of a proposed district deputation to interview the Minister, with a view to having the survey of the various routes expedited.

BYRON BAY, Wednesday.

The tug and diver punt and plant that have been here since last Friday, replacing the mooring buoys, left last night for the Richmond River. They could not complete the setting of all buoys on account of some anchors being so deeply buried in sand. They had not the implements necessary to locate them.

INVERELL, Thursday.

Mr. W. F. Tewkesbury, stationmaster here since the line was opened, 7½ years ago, was last night presented with a gold watch and chain by the business people of the town, in appreciation of the way he has carried out his duties. Mr. Tewkesbury goes to St. Marys, his place here being filled by Mr. Walsh, formerly stationmaster at Warialda.

MURWILLUMBAH, Thursday.

Mr. A. A. Loder was given a send-off last night prior to his departure for England.

Messrs. B. F. Skinner and T. J. Higgins have been appointed delegates to the licensed victuallers' conference in Sydney in Easter.

MUSWELLBROOK, Thursday.

The foundation of the mortuary church, to be erected in the Church of England Cemetery, presented by the White family, was laid this morning in the presence of the Ven. Archdeacon White, of Armidale, formerly of Muswellbrook.

PEAK HILL, Thursday.

The Peak Hill riflemen, who were so successful in the Bathurst competitions last week, were given an official reception on their return home. There was a splendid gathering of citizens. The Mayor, Alderman Morris, and Mr. H. N. Gibson congratulated the men.

SINGLETON, Thursday.

The result of a poll of ratepayers, taken in response to a petition, will be that the municipal revenue of Singleton will this year be derived from rates upon unimproved land values. Fifty-four persons voted that the additional general rate of two-thirds of a penny in the £ be levied on the unimproved capital value of land, and only 14 decided in favour of the improved capital value. In regard to the special lighting rate of one-third of a penny in the £, the figures for a rate upon the unimproved value were 52, and for a rate upon the improved value 16. This will render it necessary for the council to rescind the assessments already adopted.

TOTTENHAM, Wednesday.

The Tottenham Railway League held a special meeting last Monday. It was decided to send a requisition to the secretary of the Public Works Committee, through the member, Mr. A. J. Kelly, M.L.A., to invite the Public Works Committee to take evidence at Tottenham (Orange Plains).

WARIALDA, Thursday.

Mr. John Donaldson, a prominent sheepbreeder of this district, died suddenly yesterday at his residence, Pine Hills. Deceased was president of the Yallaroi Shire Council, and a member of the local land board.

INTER-VARSITY TENNIS.

MELBOURNE LEADING SYDNEY.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The lawn tennis Inter-University matches were continued to-day in fine weather. Sydney and Adelaide finished their uncompleted matches in the morning, when the Adelaide men showed to much better advantage than on the two preceding days, Goode, the Adelaide captain, beating Docker in straight sets, and Cowan being similarly successful against Whiting. The final result was a win for Sydney by 19 rubbers to 2. In the afternoon the match with Melbourne was commenced. Some excellent tennis was displayed, Melbourne having a slight advantage on the day's play. The match will be continued to-morrow.

Results:—

SYDNEY v. ADELAIDE.

Singles.

Utz (S.) beat Allen (A.), 6-2, 6-4.
Goode (A.) beat Docker (S.), 7-5, 6-3.
Pitt (S.) beat Bayliss (A.), 6-2, 6-1.
Cowan (A.) beat Whiting (S.), 8-6, 6-7.
Parker (S.) beat Jeffries (A.), 6-2, 6-1.
Final results: Sydney, 19 rubbers, 38 sets, 208 games; Adelaide, 2 rubbers, 6 sets, 130 games.

MELBOURNE v. SYDNEY.

Doubles.

Rolland and Wood (M.) beat Docker and Pitt (S.), 6-2, 5-7, 9-7.
Baird and Campbell (M.) beat Docker and Pitt (S.), 6-4, 2-6, 11-9.
Whiting and Parker (S.) beat Griffith and Miller (M.), 3-6, 6-3, 8-6.
Baird and Campbell (M.) beat Macken and Utz (S.), 7-5, 10-8.
Rolland and Wood (M.) beat Whiting and Parker (S.), 6-4, 7-5.

Singles.

Macken (S.) beat Griffith (M.), 6-3, 6-3.
Total:—Melbourne, 4 rubbers, 9 sets, 92 games; Sydney, 2 rubbers, 6 sets, 86 games.

AUSTRALIAN GOLF CLUB.

The annual meeting of the Australian Golf Club was held last night at Aarons' Exchange Hotel. Senator J. T. Walker presided. The annual report showed that a profit of £303 11s 7d was realised from the working of the clubhouse and sale of balls. The committee also expended during the year the sum of £364 12s 4d in painting and additions to the clubhouse, new lockers and hot-water service, items that will not recur again this year. They had spent £311 11s in improvements to the links, and after writing off 33 1-3 per cent. for depreciation, and the usual amounts off the clubhouse and furniture, there remained a surplus of £78 14s 6d of assets over liabilities. The roll of members on February 28 was: 13 life, 240 town, 97 country, 21 non-playing, 6 supernumerary, and 10 junior associates, 69 town, 15 country, 9 non-playing, 3 supernumerary; total, 483.

The winners of the most important competitions played during the year were:—Open Championship of Australia, Mr. Clyde Pearce; Amateur Championship of Australia, Mr. Clyde Pearce; Doubles Championship of Australia, Hon. M. Scott, W. J. C. Riddell; N.S.W. Amateur Championship, Mr. O. H. O'Brien; Hampden Cup, Mr. O. H. O'Brien; club championship, Mr. E. P. Simpson; Cadogan Cup, Mr. J. Douglas; Cadogan Cup, Mr. C. B. Blackburn; Ladies' Championship of Australia and Ladies' Championship of N.S.W., Miss L. Wray.

The adoption of the report and the balance-sheet was moved by the chairman.

Mr. A. E. D'Arcy, in seconding the motion, said that the Australasian championship was an unqualified success. The links, in the opinion of the visitors, were the best in Australia.

The report and the balance-sheet were unanimously adopted.

A motion that the number of vice-presidents be increased from two to three, which was submitted by Mr. C. G. Hodgson and seconded by Mr. Andrews, was carried.

Mr. Macarthur moved to increase the fee to visitors for playing over the course from 1s to 2s 6d. Dr. Palmer moved as an amendment that the fee be 1s a round, and Mr. W. A. Windeyer submitted a further amendment, that the increase be from 1s to 1s 6d. The amendments and the motion were defeated, and the rule was allowed to remain as before.

Mr. E. J. B. Macarthur moved,—"That it be a recommendation to the committee to invite Dr. Pope, Dr. Gordon Craig, and the mover to confer with them with a view to the consideration of possible alterations in the course." It might be advisable to alter the course, and those mentioned had had experience in playing over the best courses in the world.

Mr. E. L. Rutledge seconded the motion.

Mr. C. G. Hodgson, Mr. N. F. Christoe, and Mr. A. E. D'Arcy spoke in opposition to the proposal. Mr. D'Arcy thought it was practically a vote of censure on the committee. He, however, felt sure that the incoming committee would be glad of the advice of the gentlemen named. Opinions as to the best way to improve the course had in the past been sought from those best able to give the information.

Mr. Macarthur, in reply, said that there was no thought of suggesting a vote of censure.

The motion was lost.

The election of officers resulted as follows:—Patron, Lord Dudley (in succession to Lord Northcote); president, Senator Walker; vice-presidents, Messrs. E. J. B. Macarthur, N. F. Christoe, and Dr. Ewan Frazer; trustees, Mr. John Hughes, M.L.C., and Mr. H. M. Cockshott; captain, Mr. A. E. D'Arcy; hon. treasurer, Mr. W. L. Docker; committee, Messrs. G. S. Busacott, A. J. M'Lachlan, H. M. Cockshott, Langer Owen, A. W. H. Padfield, and J. S. Allen.

A vote of thanks to the retiring committee and to the chairman concluded the meeting.

SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

MAILS RECOVERED.

ADELAIDE, Wednesday.

A telegram reached Adelaide to-day stating that the mail from Camooweal and Borroloola by packhorse, which bolted while the mailman was changing his saddle a few days ago, had been recovered.

NORTHERN TERRITORY.

To-day a large deputation, promoted by the Australian Railways and Territory League, waited on the Minister for the Northern Territory, Mr. J. G. Bice, and advocated the completion of the transcontinental railway by direct route from Oodnadatta to Pine Creek, through M'Donnell Ranges, and asked that no deviation should take place into Queensland. The Minister, Mr. Bice, said there was an Act of Parliament providing for the agreement between the South Australian Government and the Federal Government. South Australia was willing to wait for a reasonable time to allow the Commonwealth to come to some decision, and if it did not South Australia would have to take steps. The Government was determined to take steps. It, however, wanted to settle the question in such a way that the whole of the people would carry the burden that for the last 17 years had been borne by South Australia, by maintaining what was now universally accepted as the policy of a white Australia.

H.M.S. Encounter is expected to arrive at Largs on Saturday next in connection with the arrival of Admiral Bosanquet.

THE BARRIER.

"CLOSE THE COURTS."

LATEST SOCIALIST ADVICE.

BROKEN HILL, Thursday.

At last night's mass meeting, Mr. T. Hogan, chairman, said a system of boycott would be adopted by the workers against business people who helped or fraternised with the police. Mr. W. Nulty said, in his opinion, the Proprietary wished to crush trades-unionists, and to force other mining companies to close down.

Mr. W. Rosser said if he had his way he would sweep away all the courts. Mr. Gamboni, who has been president of the combined unions and a leading fighter during the strike, made a farewell speech. He leaves the Hill to-morrow.

TRADE MARKS CASE.

SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE FIRMS FIGHTING.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

Before the High Court to-day certain trade mark questions were argued. Bedgood and Co., of Jolimont, applied in July, 1906, to the Registrar of Trade Marks for the registration of a device containing the word "Premier" in respect of boots and shoes. The application was opposed by Mr. George Graham, a boot manufacturer in Redfern, who in January, 1890, was registered in New South Wales as the proprietor of a trade mark consisting of the words "Premier Brand" in a circle. This mark was transferred to the Commonwealth before Bedgood and Co.'s application, and the latter, upon the Registrar refusing their application, withdrew it as to the word "Premier," and registered the rest of their device. They thereupon appealed to the High Court against the decision of the Registrar upon their application, and moved for the expungement of Graham's mark from the Commonwealth register. It appeared from the declarations that prior to the registration of Graham's mark in New South Wales in 1890 both parties had used the word "Premier" in respect of boots on the market in New South Wales, and Bedgood and Co. now contended that the mark was never properly registerable in New South Wales by Graham, and that at least their mark was entitled to be placed on the register also as having been used concurrently with that of Graham.

Argument was not concluded.

H.M.S. PEGASUS AT PORT DARWIN.

PORT DARWIN, Thursday.

H.M.S. Pegasus, a cruiser of the Australian squadron, under the command of Captain Qualie, arrived on Tuesday night from Colombo, via Java. She carries a crew of 300 men, the majority of whom are youthful, and have not long been out from England. The cruiser is to stay here a week before resuming her voyage to Sydney.

AMUSEMENTS.

THE CHERNIAVSKI CONCERTS.

The second concert given by the Cherniavskis at the Palace Theatre last night opened with a fascinating piece of music, Arensky's famous "Pianoforte Trio in D Minor," which brought forward Jan Cherniavski to preside at the predominating instrument, with Leo as violinist and little Mischel to render the 'cello part. The work was originally introduced here nearly a decade back by Mme. Adelina De Lara (Mrs. Thomas Kingston), M. Henri Staell, and the late Gerard Vollmar, and has since been but rarely heard. Arensky, who dedicated the work to Charles Davidov, the eminent 'cellist, was at one time a professor at the Moscow Conservatorium, and his style bears a resemblance to that of Tchaikowsky. The audience at the Palace Theatre was reminded of this fact during the cleverly studied interpretation of the youthful Russian prodigy-players, who were especially happy in achieving a fiery ensemble that changed rapidly to the quality of plaintive charm which so frequently characterises Slav music. The audience recalled the boys with enthusiasm, and then enjoyed a capital programme of instrumental solos and songs, to some of which allusion may now be made. Mischel Cherniavski's chief contribution was Popper's "Hungarian Rhapsody," one of those elaborately brilliant pieces wherein various national themes are introduced, more than one of which have also been employed by Liszt. The little player exhibited surprising executive facility throughout, and then added as encore Sulzer's "Summer Night," the melody of which was ultimately repeated with success upon the high harmonic notes of the instrument. Jan Cherniavski showed power and a good deal of sympathy in Chopin's "Ballade in G minor," and was recalled until he consented to add a charming "Reverie" by Schutt. Mr. Leo Cherniavski missed the purity of tone which should characterise the first enunciation of the theme of Schubert's "Ave Maria," a laboured effect being the result, but the extremely sultry heat was largely responsible for this, and the young violinist proved most brilliant in the "Souvenir de Moscow." The applause after the Wieniawski fantasia led to an insistent encore (Sarasate's "Andalusia"). Mme. Marie Hooton, departing from the published programme, sang with vivacity and vocal smoothness a contralto setting of Von Stutzmann's piquant "Vainka's Song" and other numbers, and Mr. Percival Driver made his chief success in Aylward's attractive baritone song, "Love's Coronation."

Mr. Edward Branscombe announces a fresh programme for this evening, whilst several numbers of especial interest will be presented on Saturday night.

An entertainment will be given in St. George's Hall, Newtown, to-night, in aid of St. Enoch's School Hall.

HIBERNIAN SOCIETY.

SUBVENTION TO BE AVAILED OF.

The business of the twenty-ninth annual district meeting of the Hibernian Australasian Catholic Benefit Society (New South Wales district) was continued at the Oddfellows' Temple, Elizabeth-street, yesterday, under the presidency of Bro. L. Cotter.

A good deal of discussion took place on a proposal to amend law 89, clause 2, by eliminating the sentence: "When lodging his clearance in another branch he shall accompany it by a medical certificate of his own good health, and (if married) if required, his wife's good health." It was argued by some delegates that members should not have to pass the doctor twice. Once a member of the society, he or she should be able to enter another branch without a medical certificate. Other delegates contended that members going to distant branches might meet with a mishap, and they stated that the society could not take up accident insurance. The proposal to eliminate the words was withdrawn for a year, and law 89 was agreed to as printed.

Law 89, clause 6, was amended to read: "Any branch may accept the clearance of a member issued by a branch under the jurisdiction of another district. Such member shall produce a medical certificate of his, and if married, also of his wife's good health, and be eligible as to age and otherwise according to these laws."

It was decided that any member throwing his clearance into a branch shall pay a weekly contribution at the same rate as he was paying into the branch from which he drew his clearance.

In the event of sickness or death, it was proposed that the branch receiving the clearance shall pay sick pay or funeral allowance, "if authorised by the issuing branch or district. The branch so advancing such sick pay or funeral money shall be repaid within two months." After discussion the proposal was withdrawn, and the clause agreed to as in the rule book.

Law 67A was amended to read: "This society shall avail itself of the privileges of the subventions to Friendly Societies Act, 1908, by becoming an Applicant Society thereunder, according to the regulations under that Act."

ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

The election of officers for the ensuing year resulted as follows, the elections being by ballot:—District president: Bro. L. T. Courtenay; district vice-president, Bro. M. F. Connelly; country vice-president, Bro. R. Johnson (Wagga); past district president, Bro. L. Cotter; district secretary, Bro. P. O'Loughlin; district treasurer, Bro. W. Hogan; district trustees: Bros. P. Sullivan (for three years), M. M'Grath (for two years), and P. M'Namara (for one year); auditors, Bros. J. Dwyer and D. O'Brien; delegates to the District Friendly Societies' Association: Bros. W. Fox and J. Dwyer; delegate to the bi-annual meeting in Hobart: Bro. J. L. Mullen.

The conference at 10 p.m. adjourned till the following day.

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MR. WADE IN THE NORTH.

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MR. FISHER'S LOCKJAW.

KEMPSEY, Thursday.

The State Premier, Mr. Wade, arrived from Armidale yesterday afternoon, accompanied by Messrs. Fallick and Davidson. They were entertained by the citizens in the showground, and last night at a smoke social. The Mayor presided over a large gathering.

In the course of a speech the Premier said he had visited Kempsey 21 years ago, and was surprised at the growth of the town and district. He was going to visit districts further north, and would be able to have a fair idea of the probabilities of the North Coast.

Alluding to the Premiers' Conference at Hobart, Mr. Wade said sufficient money should be returned to New South Wales to meet growing expenditure in connection with education, the police force, and reproductive public works, such as railways, water works, and closer settlement. If New South Wales did not have a fair deal regarding these matters, the State must go insolvent. At Hobart Mr. Fisher appeared to have lockjaw, and Mr. Wade feared that this lockjaw might spread throughout the whole Federal Parliament.

Mr. Fallick, Mr. Briner, and Mr. Davidson, Ms.L.A., replied to the toast of "Parliament."

To-day Mr. Wade officially opens the show, after which he will be shown round the district, and probably visit the old prison at Trial Bay. On Friday he proceeds north.

MR. WADDELL AT BLAYNEY.

PROGRESS OF NATIVE INDUSTRIES.

BLAYNEY, Thursday.

The show was opened on Wednesday by the State Treasurer, Mr. Waddell, in the presence of a record crowd.

Mr. Waddell commended the show very highly, especially the agricultural and school exhibits, and the stock sections. Referring to the progress of the country, he said it was only by contemplating what had taken place in the past they could form any idea of what was likely to happen in the future. He had prepared some figures, showing exactly what had taken place in connection with all the principal matters affecting the prosperity of the country during the last 20 years. In selecting the figures he had confined himself to information as to the principal factors in the State's prosperity. It would be seen that the State had made wonderful progress in production. For instance, in the period of 20 years exports had grown from 21 millions to 41 millions, and imports from 21 millions to 37 millions. The value of wool from over nine millions to over 14 millions. Twenty years ago we exported only £28,000 worth of butter. Mineral production, excepting coal, had far more than doubled its value, namely, from two millions odd to five millions odd, and the coal production had increased from about one million and a half to nearly three millions and a half. Though the numbers of sheep had slightly decreased, owing to droughts the weight of wool per sheep had greatly increased by careful breeding. Other special points of interest were in connection with the local buyers of wool representing foreign nations. Twenty years ago Japan did not buy one pound of wool in Sydney. Last year she bought over six million pounds weight. The United States' buyers increased their purchases from one to five millions. French buyers from two to seventy-six millions, and German buyers from three and a half to sixty millions. In these quotations he gave the round figures. The marvellous progress made during the period named showed what might be expected during the next 20 years. With the return of good seasons he looked forward to the State producing annually 100 million bushels of wheat for export within the next seven years. Under such conditions trade in the export of beef and mutton, as well as wool, will increase by leaps and bounds. The advantage of our chief competitor, the Argentine, had in being close to the European markets was not, after all, so great as at first sight it might appear, as water carriage was the cheapest, and the cost of carriage was small as compared with the cost of production.

VICTORIAN WAGES BOARDS.

PROTEST FROM EMPLOYERS.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

A large deputation from the Employers' Federation laid before the Premier on Wednesday a series of resolutions adopted by the federation in regard to the wages board system. It was stated that the deputation represented over 5000 members.

Mr. Keep, vice-president of the Employers' Federation, submitted a resolution that had been passed deploring the fact that four wages boards had been created without proper notice to the employers concerned, and also that an Amending Factories Act Bill had been unexpectedly introduced into the Legislative Council. He thought that 14 days' notice should have been given, and that the Employers' Federation should also have been notified.

Mr. Murray said that if the members of the federation read the newspapers, he could not understand their attitude. It had always been the policy of Ministers to give ample notice, and the federation's position was untenable.

Mr. T. E. Varley, Master Printers' Association, submitted a resolution of the body he represented against any reduction of hours below 48. He said two years ago the wages in the printing trade were raised from 52s to 56s per week. The increase was mainly paid for by a diminution of profits. The demand now made was for 60s per week of 44 hours. There was not a printer in Australia who could raise his wages by that huge percentage and remain solvent.

Mr. Murray said it was generally recognised that 48 hours was a fair week's work, and in the printing trade the conditions were good. He could not at the present juncture help the federation in any way. The wages board had not settled its determination. The federation did not propose that the power of limiting the hours should be taken from the boards.

Mr. Walpole: That is the essence of the resolution.

Mr. Murray: If you are not satisfied, there is the Court to appeal to. The Premier promised to put all the statements before the Cabinet.

O.K. COPPER CASE.

THE JURY'S FINDINGS.

BRISBANE, Wednesday.

The jury in the O.K. case announced its decisions to-day. Altogether Mr. Justice Chubb submitted 32 questions. The jury found that the defendants and Snow executed the contract with full knowledge of the contents, that it was executed by Snow with full knowledge of its contents, and subject to ratification by plaintiffs. Plaintiffs were not aware that defendants and Snow agreed that defendants should not be bound to deliver a monthly minimum of 150 tons, and that the deliveries when made should be so allocated as to complete minimum deliveries of 150 tons per month, and that the price of copper delivered short of 150 tons per month should be the price per month for which the shortage should be made up. As to whether defendants and Snow agreed and intended that this should take place, the jury would not answer. The jury further found that Snow was authorised to make the agreement with defendants. Defendants did not inform plaintiffs of the facts which operated as suspensions. Plaintiffs were only aware of the general fact that suspension deliveries might occur in wet seasons. Plaintiffs believed defendants were producing the minimum monthly quantity of 150 tons per month. After August 1, 1906, the amounts were adjusted by persons authorised to do so, but the payments were made wrongfully, according to the true meaning of the contract. Defendants failed to deliver 150 tons a month during the currency of the agreement. The nominal damages for such non-delivery were 1s. The total amount of the difference in prices for blister copper delivered, as between the times when it should have been delivered, on the assumption that it should have been delivered in quantities of 150 tons per month, and when it was actually delivered, was, with suspensions, £18,997 16s; without suspensions, £30,168 0s 11d.

Mr. Feez formally moved for judgment for the plaintiffs for £30,168 10s.

Mr. Stumm moved for judgment for the defendants for £16,603 14s 8d.

Argument on the motion was adjourned till Tuesday next.

TEMPERANCE TEACHING.

WELLINGTON (N.Z.), Wednesday.

Replying to a deputation from the Women's Christian Temperance Union, the Minister for Education (Mr. Fowlds) said temperance teaching was now compulsory in the Public schools. Moral instruction had to be given relating to the body and the mind, and temperance in eating and drinking, and to evil and unhealthy subjects. When the syllabus was again altered, after the next conference of inspectors, he promised that the regulation regarding scientific temperance would be more explicit. Under the present syllabus they might have temperance teaching in every school in New Zealand.

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The "Sydney Mail" this week has a striking and remarkable portrait of the Kaiser. A page, entitled "The Imperial Outlook," has an absorbingly interesting collection of pictures, including one of Germany's latest Dreadnought. Among other features of the issue some pictures relating to the departure of Sir Harry Rawson and Miss Rawson have especial interest. In other respects the issue has chiefly to do with the development of the rural interests of the State. There is an exceptionally large budget of excellent reading—special articles, and fiction.

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LAW REPORT.

BANCO COURT.

(Before Mr. Acting Justice Rogers.)

CONVENTS AND RATING.

The council of the municipality of North Sydney brought an action to recover £107 13s 1d claimed to be due as rates on certain property in Miller-street, the defendants being Honoria Casey, Sarah Jones, Johanna O'Neill, and Ellen Real.

Mr. Lamb, instructed by Messrs. Pigott and Stinson, appeared for the plaintiff council; and Dr. Cullen, K.C., with him Mr. Blacket, instructed by Messrs. Norton, Smith, and Co., for the defendants.

The property in question is St. Joseph's Convent, and the defendants, who are Sisters of Mercy, are trustees of the land. Mr. Lamb pointed out that the convent and school comprised rooms necessary for those purposes and no other. The grounds were about four acres in extent, a portion of which was cultivated. The grounds were sometimes used for fetes in aid of church institutions and charities. A separate wing of the building was used for divine worship, and the defendants claimed that this was a church, but counsel for the plaintiff maintained that it was primarily for the use of the Sisters of Mercy and the scholars. The defendants claimed that the property was not rateable, because it was used in connection with the church. Plaintiff's view was that section 121 of the Local Government Act of 1906 should be read so that "land occupied and used in connection with a church" should apply only to land surrounding a church, or possibly to land such as was frequently attached to churches in the country. If land such as that in question were to be exempted it might lead to large landowners erecting private chapels, which the public might use, and then it might be claimed that the whole of the land surrounding it was exempt from rating.

Mr. Blacket moved for a nonsuit on the ground that the onus of proving that the lands were rateable was on the plaintiff, but this was refused by his Honor.

After hearing Mr. Blacket in argument,

His Honor said that of course the case would go on to a higher Court. He had formed a very strong opinion on the matter after a good deal of thought, and although he might be wrong he did not think he would alter that opinion, therefore he would relieve Mr. Lamb of the necessity to answer Mr. Blacket. Continuing, his Honor said his impression was that subsection of the Act in question meant that when a church was the principal building and the other buildings were accessories to the church, then the exemption from rateability applied; but when the church—he was speaking with all respect—was accessory to the other buildings, when it had merely been built as a convenience for the use of those occupying the other buildings (although these latter were occupied admittedly for a good and religious purpose), then he did not think it could be said that the land was occupied by and used in connection with the church. It was quite the other way round—the church was used in connection with the building in which the religious instruction was given. He was sorry to decide in this way, because his sympathies were with the defendants in a matter of this kind.

A verdict was given for the plaintiff for the amount claimed, £107 13s 1d, but leave was given for the defendants to move for a verdict to be entered for them.

EQUITY COURT.

(Before Mr. Justice A. H. Simpson, Chief Judge in Equity.)

HUSBAND AND WIFE.

Lane v Lane.

Mr. W. A. Walker, instructed by Mr. J. J. Kiely, appeared for plaintiff, Charles Lane; and Mr. Moriarty, instructed by Mr. H. E. M'Intosh, for defendant, Emma Lane.

The hearing of this part-heard case was resumed, and had not concluded when the Court adjourned.

(Before Mr. Justice Street.)

THE SALVATION ARMY AND THE GOVERNMENT.

CLAIM TO 53 ACRES AT NARRABEEN.

Booth v Williams.

Mr. Langer Owen, K.C., and Mr. Harvey, instructed by Messrs. Robson and Cowlishaw, appeared for the plaintiff, William Booth; Dr. Cullen, K.C., and Mr. Bethune, instructed by the Crown Solicitor (Mr. J. V. Tillett), for James Leslie Williams (nominal defendant on behalf of the Crown); and Mr. C. E. Manning, instructed by the Crown Solicitor, for William Gordon Hayes Williams, Registrar-General.

The plaintiff, General Booth, of the Salvation Army, in his statement of claim set out that he is seeking to bring under the provisions of the Real Property Act 53 acres of land, situated in the parish of Narrabeen, at or contiguous to Narrabeen Lake. By a Crown grant dated October 19, 1831, 80 acres of land, which included the 53 acres, were granted to Elizabeth Jenkins. From the date of the grant she remained in possession of the land. By a Crown grant dated July 14, 1857, 93 acres 1 rood of land was alleged to have been granted to John Thomas Collins, the said land being expressed to be the portion of land adjoining on the west the land granted to Elizabeth Jenkins, but Collins subsequently ascertained that his grant included 53 acres, forming portion of the grant to Elizabeth Jenkins, and that consequently the two grants overlapped to the extent of 53 acres. By a deed of August, 1874, it was agreed that Collins should surrender all his estate and interest in the 93 acres to the Crown, that the Crown should refund the excess purchase money (£205 17s 3d), and regrant to Collins 38 acres, not included in the grant to Elizabeth Jenkins. In pursuance of this agreement a grant dated January 10, 1876, of 38 acres immediately to the west of the 53 acres, was executed to Collins; and by various conveyances, and, lastly, by a conveyance dated February 8, 1900, made between H. H. Booth and William Peart of the one part, and the plaintiff on the other, the 53 acres were conveyed from Elizabeth Jenkins, and became vested in the plaintiff for an estate in fee simple. Elizabeth Jenkins and her successors in title continued in possession of this land from October 19, 1831, up to the present time, when plaintiff came into possession. Collins was not in possession at the date of the deed already referred to, nor had he taken possession or taken the rents and profits thereof for the space of one whole year and upwards prior to the date of the deed. The Crown now claimed to be entitled to the 53 acres, and in consequence of the claim the Registrar-General declined to proceed with the plaintiff's application to bring the land under the Real Property Act. The plaintiff submitted that the Crown had no title or claim to the 53 acres for the reasons stated, and that he is entitled to the land in fee simple, inasmuch as he and his predecessors in title have been in possession of the land, and in receipt of the rents and profits thereof, to the exclusion of the Crown, for a period of over 60 years immediately preceding the institution of this suit; or alternately that Collins and the Crown, as his successors in title, were barred of all right and title to the land by 20 years continuous adverse possession of the land by Elizabeth Jenkins, such 20 years commencing to run against Collins prior to the deed of agreement executed by him. The plaintiff therefore prayed that it might be declared that the Crown had no right, title, estate, or interest in the 53 acres, and that the plaintiff is entitled to be registered as proprietor; further, that the defendant Registrar-General may be directed to proceed with the plaintiff's application, notwithstanding the claim of the Crown.

The defendant, William Gordon Hayes Williams, in his statement of defence, traversed the facts alleged by plaintiff, and declined to admit them, or that 53 acres of the grant to Collins overlapped the land of Elizabeth Jenkins, and was subsequently conveyed to the latter, or became vested in the plaintiff as stated. He also declined to admit that Collins had never been in possession of the 53 acres, and said he had refused to proceed with the plaintiff's application, as far as concerned portion 40, being part of 285 acres in the Parish of Narrabeen, on the ground that he had shown no title to the same. He submitted that the statement of claim disclosed no equity which entitled him to relief.

James Leslie Williams' statement of defence was to much the same purport as that of his co-defendant.

Mr. Langer Owen said the question was as to what was the western boundary of the 80-acre grant referred to in the statement of claim, plaintiff contending that it included portion 40. With regard to the Registrar-General, he was purely a nominal party here, and plaintiff was quite agreeable to pay his costs, without prejudice to the plaintiff's right to claim them from the other defendant. But if the Registrar-General remained in the case he did so at his own risk in regard to costs. He did not propose to press plaintiff's application as against the Registrar-General, as it would be sufficient for the purpose if plaintiff's prayer against the Crown was granted.

His Honor said he could not make any order in the matter, as it was a matter for the Registrar-General and his counsel to decide.

Mr. Manning gave no intimation in the matter, and evidence for the plaintiff was then called.

At 4 o'clock the further hearing was adjourned till the following day.

IN DIVORCE.

(Before Mr. Justice Pring.)

LLEWELLEN v LLEWELLEN.

Alice Maud Llewellen, formerly Swiney, applied for a divorce from Alfred Thomas Llewellen, on the ground of desertion.

The parties, according to the evidence of petitioner, for whom Mr. W. C. Moseley appeared, were married at Sydney in 1896, according to the rites of the Anglican Church.

A decree nisi, returnable in six months, was granted.

CAULFIELD v CAULFIELD.

In the case in which Margaret Caulfield, formerly Farmer, petitioned for divorce from Thomas Caulfield on the ground of misconduct and desertion, a decree nisi was granted on the firstnamed ground, to be returnable in six months.

SCOTT v SCOTT.

Mabel Scott, formerly Blair, petitioned for divorce from Percival Douglas Kirby Scott, on the ground of desertion.

Mr. E. H. Gardner appeared for the petitioner, who said that she married respondent in 1895, at Sydney, according to the rites of the Anglican Church.

A decree nisi, returnable in six months, was granted.

BAKER v BAKER.

Ancilla Albina Maria Baker, formerly Vivarelli, applied for a divorce from Robert Vincent Baker on the ground of desertion.

Mr. W. C. Moseley appeared for the petitioner, who said she married respondent at Sydney in 1901, according to the rites of the Roman Catholic Church.

After hearing the evidence his Honor granted a decree nisi, returnable in six months.

MORGAN v MORGAN.

Ethel Louise Morgan, formerly Ellis, petitioned for divorce from John Charles Morgan on the ground of desertion.

Mr. R. W. Fraser appeared for the petitioner, who deposed that she married respondent at Sydney in 1897 according to the rites of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

A decree nisi, returnable in six months, was granted.

(Before Mr. Justice Cohen.)

DECREE NISI.

On the motion of Mr. Windeyer a decree nisi, returnable in six months, was granted on the findings in the suit Lucy Jane Delamere against Richard Delamere, heard at Broken Hill.

DECREE ABSOLUTE.

On the motion of Mr. L. Armstrong the decree nisi of June 24 last for nullity of marriage in the suit Arnold v Bicknell (falsely called Arnold) was made absolute. The decree nisi had been granted on the ground of bigamy.

His Honor also made absolute the decrees nisi in the following suits, and declared the marriages dissolved:—Isabella Powell v Henry Clay Powel, Alfred John Giles v Mary Giles, Annie Jude v John William Page Jude, Ada Florence Campbell v John Campbell, Sarah Maud Morris v Arthur Leopold Morris, Annie Maria Hurst v William James Hurst, Agnes Isabel Tomlinson v Henry Braddon Tomlinson, Clara Jane Fiddes v Frederick Fiddes, Maud May M'Kinney v William M'Kinney, Elsie May Nixon v William Ireson Nixon, Rachel Brown v Ralph Coulson Brown, Florence May O'Farrell v William O'Farrell, Isabella Gordon Mathew v Henry Edward Mathew, Florence Hodson v Christopher Hodson, Ethel Maud Farrell v Harold Farrell, Jessie Whiddon v Samuel Arthur Whiddon, Henry Isaac Dent v Martha May Dent, Mabel Emily Thomas v Rupert Alfred Thomas, Emma Barnes v John Thalma Barnes, Abraham Ashburner Heys v Emily Maud Heys, Frank Rupert Hewitt v Johan Nisbet Hewitt, Thomas Albert Rolfe v Elsie Alice Rolfe, Isabel Amelia Hall v Henry Lusby Hall, Harold George Holden v Emily Jane Holden, Alice Millicent Rayner v Edmund Joseph Rayner, Robert Bullock v Amy Etta Bullock, Florence Jeffrey v George Scott Jeffrey, Olive Pfeiffer v Richard Carlisle Peiffer, Richard Herrick Corbett v Muriel Jane Corbett, Alice Elizabeth Collins v Ernest Charles William Collins, Annie Strange v Thomas Allan Strange, Elizabeth Mary Robson v John Robson, and Ethel May Cutter v Richard John Cutter.

BANKRUPTCY COURT.

(Before the Registrar.)

CERTIFICATE APPLICATION.

Re Charles Frederick Pattrick. Mr. H. Dawson appeared for bankrupt. The Registrar said he found all the offences mentioned in the report established except that under section 40k, and suspended the operation of the order of discharge for two years.

MEETINGS AND EXAMINATIONS.

Re Patrick George Beck. Bankrupt was sworn and examined by the official assignee. No resolution was proposed. The meeting closed, and the examination was declared concluded.

Re John Edward Gorman. Bankrupt did not appear. Adjourned to April 8.

Re John Anderson. Bankrupt was sworn and examined by the official assignee, and by a creditor. It was ordered that accounts be filed. Adjourned to April 15.

Re Patrick William Shortall. Mr. Sanders appeared for bankrupt, who was sworn and examined by the official assignee, and by Mr. Sanders. The meeting closed, and the examination was declared concluded.

VOLUNTARY SEQUESTRATIONS.

Francis Broughton Kyngdon, of Aine Mindi, Kiama, farmer. Mr. C. F. W. Lloyd, official assignee.

John M'Kinnon, of Garnet-street, Broken Hill, warder. Mr. W. H. Palmer, official assignee.

George O'Donnell, of Canbelego, mine employee. Mr. W. H. Palmer, official assignee.

INDUSTRIAL COURT.

(Before his Honor Judge Heydon.)

RE COLLIERY MECHANICS.

Mr. Mitchell, on behalf of the Colliery Mechanics' Mutual Protective Association, Hunter district, made application for a board for the Newcastle collieries. Mr. Sparke (Messrs. Sparke and Milliard, Newcastle) appeared on behalf of the colliery proprietors to object. Also objecting were Mr. Howe, for the engineers; Mr. Black, for the electricians; Mr. Roe, for the painters; Mr. Corbett for the carpenters; and Mr. Farrer, for the saddlers, on the ground that the interests of the various trades clashed.

His Honor decided to recommend the constitution of a board for the Newcastle district, the saddlers to be excluded from its jurisdiction. Nominations for members were allowed to stand over until the 29th inst.

A similar application by the same union for a board for the Maitland district was made, and his Honor decided to make the recommendation on the same conditions.

RE PAINTERS.

Mr. Roe made application on the part of the Sydney Trade Union of Painters for a board for the postal district of Newcastle. The application was granted, and nominations were allowed to stand over until the 5th prox.

RE JOURNEYMEN FARRIERS.

An application was made for the constitution of a board for journeymen farriers. Mr. Croft appeared for the union; Mr. H. S. Williams appeared on behalf of Mr. C. Stewart, Mr. T. J. Hoskins and others appeared to ask that there be two representatives of each side on the board. His Honor decided to recommend the constitution of the board, with but one member on each side.

CORBITT v RIDGE.

William James Corbitt proceeded against Messrs. O. Ridge and Son for a breach of the carpenters and joiners' award.

His Honor said as the amount had been paid he would only inflict a light penalty. Messrs. Owen Ridge and Walter Owen Ridge were each fined 2s 6d, with costs 10s 6d, in default one day's hard labour.

YORK v PHILP.

R. H. York, secretary of the Typographical Association, proceeded against G. B. Philp for a breach of the award. Mr. Beeby appeared for the union; and Mr. James for the defendant.

Mr. Beeby desired particularly to block the contract system. He admitted that Mr. Philp had not worked the system with a view to sweating, but it opened the door for others who did.

His Honor: If the contract system were used as an instrument to give men less than the minimum wage there would arise a great danger.

Mr. Beeby admitted that he could not prove the case, as he had no witnesses to prove that the men earned less.

Mr. James said the contract had been let to one man, who had taken on others.

The application was allowed to be withdrawn, with costs against the union.

AULD v BUDGE.

John Auld, for the Amalgamated Society of Engineers, proceeded against James Budge for a breach of the award and common rule in the dispute between the Amalgamated Society of Engineers and the Iron Trades Employers' Association.

Mr. C. A. Coghlan appeared on behalf of the union. Mr. Budge denied the breach, contending that the man in question was an apprentice.

Robert Howe, president of the union, stated that he called on Mr. Budge, and asked for Stevens's wages, at the rate of 1s 4d per hour. Defendant refused, saying that Stevens was an unskilled man.

Reginald Digby Stevens said that he was with defendant 18 months as a turner. He started at £2 8s: In a fortnight defendant said witness was too slow, and cut him down to £1 a week. Between June and October witness received 35s. Witness did turning work.

The case stands part heard.

DISTRICT COURT.

(Before Judge Murray.)

SALE OF A VIOLIN.

Spring v Staell.

Mr. Curtis, instructed by Mr. W. H. Atkinson, appeared for plaintiff, Geraldine Spring; and Mr. Nugent Robertson, instructed by Mr. J. J. Jagelman, for defendant, Henri Staell.

Plaintiff sued defendant to recover £50 damages for alleged misrepresentation in connection with the sale by him to plaintiff of a violin. Plaintiff said that in consequence of defendant's representations that the violin was a genuine Grancino she bought it from him for £47 5s, which she paid with her own cheque. The violin was not genuine.

The defence was not guilty, that the instrument was a Grancino, and that no guarantee was given.

In the witness-box plaintiff said that she had taken one quarter's instruction on the violin from Staell prior to proceeding to England with her sister, where she intended to study the violin. Defendant said the instrument she had was not good enough for her to play on, and that she ought to have a better one. He knew a friend, he said, who had a Grancino, an instrument with a beautiful tone, and that he thought he could get it for her. Subsequently she bought the instrument, he at the time promising to give her a guarantee that it was as he had represented. Several times he promised her the guarantee, but he did not keep his promise. On the day before she left for England, in July, 1907, she waited on defendant in company with her father. She said to him that she had come for the guarantee, and defendant, after hesitating, said he would send it on. Her father said she was going to England next day, and that there was no time like the present. Defendant then went in and wrote out the document produced, signed "Henry Staell." When she got to England she took the violin to Hill and Son, and they gave her a certain document regarding it. She was in England about 12 months. Before she went to England she showed the violin to Herr Poulsen and had a conversation with him. About a fortnight after returning from England in October last she went to defendant in company with a friend. She said to him that she had taken the violin to Hill's, and they had stated that it was not a genuine Grancino. She reminded him of his promise to refund the money if she was not satisfied, and he said he was not in a position to do that. She then asked him to return her half the money and she would keep the violin. He said no, that he would find a purchaser, and asked her to allow him a couple of weeks in which to do so. Some weeks later, when she saw him, he said, "You can be easy in your mind; I'll find a purchaser." After waiting a considerable time and getting no satisfaction she placed the matter in the hands of her solicitor.

In cross-examination witness said that Herr Poulsen told her a week before she went to England that the instrument was not genuine, but she at that time thought defendant would not deceive her. The violin she was now playing was presented to her by the Mother Superior of the Presentation Convent, Lismore.

Raimund Pechotsch, solo violinist and musical conductor, said the violin produced was not a genuine Grancino, and the label inside was spurious. Giovanni Grancino gave up work in 1720, whereas the violin produced was dated 1728. He was prepared to swear that the violin was not a Grancino, but of German make.

In reply to Mr. Robertson, his Honor said that Hill and Sons' written opinion of the violin was in itself no evidence in the case.

Cross-examined by Mr. Robertson, witness Pechotsch said he did not agree with the opinion of Dr. Stainer that the sons of Giovanni Grancino were the best makers of this family. Giovanni himself was the best maker. He belonged to the Neapolitan school, but might have worked in Milan. Witness had seen five Grancino violins. He had taken a great interest in this case, because he did not like to see a person sold a German violin for an Italian. He was in no way prejudiced, but he did not like to see people charged £50 for a violin that was not worth more than £3.

To Mr. Curtis: The instrument was not a Giovanni Grancino, and was not 180 years old.

Herbert Mitchiner, who has been in charge of the band and orchestral departments of Paling and Co., Ltd., for the past twelve years, said he examined about 1000 violins every year. They had always from 500 to 600 in stock. He had examined the violin produced, and, in his opinion, it was a modern instrument and the label spurious. He could buy these labels in sheaths; they could be cut up like postage stamps. The retail price he would give for the violin was £8. His firm did not handle that class of goods, but they did sell models of old violins as models.

To Mr. Robertson: He did not know anything about old instruments, but he did pretend to knowledge of modern ones.

The case stands part heard.

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LAW NOTICES.

FRIDAY, MARCH 26.

SUPREME COURT.

Cause List.—No. 1 Causes in No. 1 Jury Court, King-street: Comber v Scott, Leahy v Wholohan.

In Vice-Admiralty.—Before the Deputy Judge, in No. 2 Jury Court, at 2 p.m.: Brown and another v the Soigran (motion to set aside appearance).

Prothonotary's Office.—Before the Chief Clerk: M'Callum v M'Callum, 10.15 a.m.

Probate Jurisdiction.—John Drinan, 10; Henry Tozer, 10.30; William Robert Campbell, 11; Henry William Prescott, 11.30; Frances V. Wolsely, 12; Edward Powell, 12.

In Equity.—Before the Chief Judge in Equity, at 10 a.m.:—Motions generally: Robinson v Vincent, motion to continue injunction; re will of S. Wiseman and Trustee Act, summons for appointment of trustee and for payment out; Brown v Brown, summons to amend statement of claim; re will of J. Holmes and Conveyancing Act, summons for examination; Young v Curran, to be mentioned; Hamilton v Hamilton, motion for decree; re will of Wm. Roberts and Conveyancing Act, petition for sale; West v Gilchreest, motion to sanction compromise and for appointment of trustee; Taylor v Jewhurst, motion for decree on admissions.

Before Mr. Justice Street, No. 2 Jury Court, at 10 a.m.—Booth v Williams, part heard.

Before the Master in Equity.—At 12 noon: Collins v Bank of Australasia, to settle minutes of decree. At 12.15 p.m.: Minister for Works and Byrne, to settle minutes of order. At 12.30 p.m.: Byrnes v Lambert, to settle certificate. At 2 p.m.: Council of Municipality of Dubbo v M'Evoy, to fix reserves. At 2.15 p.m.: Smillie and others, infants, to approve of bond. At 2.30 p.m.: Day v Smith, to settle minutes of order. At 2.45 p.m.: Sherwood v Miller, to settle minutes of decree. At 3 p.m.: King v Wild, to settle minutes of order.

Before the Chief Clerk.—At 11 a.m.: Minister for Works and Cox, to tax costs. At 12.15 p.m.: Baldwin v Baldwin, to tax costs; same v same, ditto.

In Divorce.—Before Mr. Justice Pring, in No. 3 Jury Court.—At 10: Hearing of causes.

In Bankruptcy.—Before the Registrar.—Creditors' petition: G. Thompson and Co. and Samuel Watkin v Henry Webber. Confirmation of accounts and plans. At 4.15 p.m.: Taxation of official assignee's costs, J. W. G. Simons.

In Lunacy.—Before the Master.—At 10.30 a.m.: Re insane patient, for directions. Before the Chief Clerk.—At 3 p.m.: Re incapable person, for directions.

INDUSTRIAL COURT.

Probate Courthouse.—Before his Honor Judge Heydon.—At 10 a.m. For hearing—Summonses for penalty: Auld v Budge (part heard), Young v Messrs. D. Jones and Co.; New South Wales Railway Traffic Employees' Association, appeal from decision of Registrar.

Before the Industrial Registrar.—At 2 p.m.: For decision—Re Trolly Draymen's award, reference under clauses 4 and 11; re Sanders and Co.

DISTRICT COURT.

Before his Honor Judge Murray, at 10 a.m.—Examinations of judgment debtors (in Chambers, in No. 2 Court): Booker v Patrick, Roberts v Collins, Jonsen v Phillips, Hayward v Simpson, Booker v Merrin, Perkins and another v Shadler, Booker v Peisley, Potter v Douglas. Motions generally (in No. 1 Court): Greene and another v Weekley, Foley v Johnson, Schachtel v Spaull, Murdoch, Limited, v Nasmyth, O'Sullivan v Howarth, Blake v Viles, Murdoch, Limited, v Cameron, Way v Long. Causes (not before 10.30 a.m.): Spring v Staell (part heard), Bates v Bakhash.

HOME FOR CONSUMPTIVES.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual meeting of the Queen Victoria Homes for Consumptives was held yesterday at the Town Hall, under the presidency of Sir Philip Sydney Jones.

The annual report showed that satisfactory work had been accomplished during the year, although the period had ended with a deficit of between £1500 and £1600. The Government was engaged in establishing a hospital for Consumptives near Waterfall, to accommodate about 400 patients suffering from the disease in its advanced stages, and that further legislation relating to the notification of consumption was under the consideration of the Government. The carrying into speedy effect of the proposed legislation was likely to have a most important bearing on the work of stamping out or reducing the prevalence of the disease, whilst the completion of the buildings at Waterfall would enable the Government to find a home for the many unfortunates who were too deeply stricken with the disease to profit by the curative treatment at the Queen Victoria Homes.

In moving the adoption of the report and balance-sheet, the chairman said they required more annual subscribers. It should be remembered that they had now two institutions in full working order. Whereas in previous years the Thirlmere Home was in a state of transition, it now provided for 52 patients. The Government gave a subsidy as usual, but when asked for an additional amount declined any further contribution. They only got 5s in the £ from the Government, and not the ordinary £ for £ subsidy. The treatment was of the best, and provided fresh air, generous food, and exercise, which were the mainstays in the treatment. Further, the directors had adopted the practice of employing inmates in useful occupations, which added to their healthfulness and prevented morbidness. The Thirlmere Home had improved during the year by 6 per cent., and the King's Tableland Home by 1 per cent.

The motion was seconded by Mr. John Kent and carried.

The following office-bearers were elected:—President, Sir Philip Sydney Jones; vice-presidents, Lady Darley, Colonel Goodlet, and the Lord Mayor of Sydney (Alderman Allen Taylor); directors, Mrs. Hugh Dixson, Mr. Tindall, Mrs. Allen Taylor, Mrs. J. H. Goodlet, Lady Harris, Misses Dibbs, Harris, Margaret Harris, Fairfax, Messrs. Marcker, R. Stanton, Commander Brownlow, James Best, and F. H. Hixson; hon. secretary, Mr. H. A. James; hon. treasurer, Mr. Robert Dixson; hon. auditors, Messrs. Troup, Harwood, and Co.

MANY WEEKS OF AGONY.

With Eczema on Arms and Legs.—Could Scarcely Sleep for Months.—Tried Many Treatments Without Results.—Could Not Work for 11 Weeks.—Completely Cured by Cuticura.

"My trouble began with irritation on the legs and right arm, which developed into eczema. In a few weeks' time I was in perfect agony. I was prevented from attending work for eleven weeks, and although I tried remedies suggested by my friends, they were all used without any effect, and two doctors failed to do any good. One day I decided to make another attempt to get rid of my complaint, and purchased a full set of Cuticura Soap, Cuticura Ointment, and Cuticura Pills, and in ten days I found the irritation disappearing. I would not have believed it possible for any remedy to afford such comfort in so short a time. I was able to sleep at night—a thing which I had not been able to do for months—and in the course of another week there were unmistakable signs of the eczema being mastered. I persevered with Cuticura, and in six weeks, using two supplies, I was cured.—George Harrison, Poole-ter., near South Milford, Yorkshire, Eng., June 11, 1907."—Advt.

The Aquatic Notes in the "Sydney Mail" by "Trident" never lose interest week by week. The author is always well informed on important matches, and his remarks this week are full of interest.—Advt.

POLICE COURTS.

ALLEGED THEFT IN A DWELLING.

Joseph White, 28, a labourer, was charged at the Water Police Court yesterday, before Mr. C. N. Payten, S.M., with stealing in the dwelling house of John Keogh, known as the City Arms Hotel, Crown and Stanley streets, a watch, an albert, a locket, a medal, five shillings in money, and two coins, of the total value of £20, the property of John Keogh, on March 18. Constable English stated that while he had accused in custody on another charge on the 19th instant, he questioned him with regard to some coins, and said, "Have you any foreign coins in your house?" to which accused replied that he had two large coins. Witness showed him a coin, but accused would not admit it was his, although told it had been found at his house. Ruby Nelson, a barmaid at the City Arms Hotel, said that accused was a customer, and on the 18th instant she saw him there in the evening. Witness said that a fortnight previously she saw accused at the hotel trying two of the parlour doors with a key. She took the key from him, and he told her that it would open any door. The coin produced she had seen before at Mr. Keogh's room. Mary Ann Bryant, a cook, employed at the hotel, stated that she saw accused standing at the stair door of the hotel on Thursday evening last, and then saw him look through the back window. She saw him several times looking about the premises. Just before 11 o'clock, she was going to bed, when she saw the window of Mr. Keogh's room open and the door open. On looking in the room she saw that a drawer was pulled out, and after she had told Mr. Keogh what she had seen, it was found that his watch had disappeared. Accused, who reserved his defence, was committed for trial. Bail was not applied for.

ROWDYISM AT FIVE DOCK.

At the Burwood Police Court yesterday, before Mr. E. L. Maitland, S.M., four young men, named Donald Keen, Leslie Lucas, Henry Sydney Savage, and George Lucas were charged with having behaved riotously near the Red Lion Hotel, Parramatta-road, on March 15 last. George Lucas pleaded guilty, and was fined 10s, with costs 6s, in default seven days' imprisonment. The other three defendants pleaded not guilty, and were defended by Mr. T. Rose. The evidence of Constables Galvin and Williams was to the effect that about 9 p.m. on March 15 the four accused and another man were pulling an old swagman about in front of the Red Lion Hotel. One man, who had already been convicted for the offence, lit a piece of paper, and placed it under the old man's coat. The old man had been drinking in the hotel, and the proprietor of it ordered him out. The defendants denied behaving riotously or interfering with the swagman. The magistrate convicted the three who had pleaded not guilty, and imposed fines in each case of 40s, with 6s costs. He regretted that he could not bind them all in sureties to be of good behaviour for twelve months, as the case had been laid under the old Act. Later in the day Charles Brymer was convicted of a similar offence on the same occasion, and, pleading guilty, was fined 5s, with court costs 6s.

CHARGE AGAINST LATE LODGE SECRETARY.

At the Redfern Police Court, before Mr. Love, D.S.M., Walter Bradwell, late secretary of the Alexandria Lodge, 377, United Ancient Order of Druids, was charged with stealing a cheque for £2 4s, payable to the Boadicea Lodge, or bearer. There was a second charge of stealing £1 12s 6d, payable to the Loyal Progress Lodge, or bearer. Mr. Kiely appeared for the prosecution, and Mr. Lenehan for the defence. A plea of not guilty was entered.

George Ryan, storeman, of Alexandria, stated that he was treasurer of the Alexandria Lodge. Defendant was paid a salary of £12 a year. Witness, as treasurer, filled in the body of the cheques, signed them, and handed them to the defendant to sign and send to the payee.

To Mr. Lenehan: The lodges to which these cheques were payable had each banking accounts. Both cheques were open, for it was left to the secretary to cross them. It was customary for the secretary to pay all cheques. Witness was not aware that at times there was no money in the bank to meet cheques. He did not remember making out a cheque for £6, and there being not enough cash in the bank to meet it. In fact, it was not so. Witness's wife usually banked the money of the lodge, as witness was at work. Witness did not attend the lodge on every meeting night. He took the secretary's word as to what dues were collected when not there. Witness always kept a record of what money defendant said he had collected. The balance of £12 1s 10d shown in his book was correct.

John Kemm, secretary of the Alexandria branch, stated that defendant held that office during September and October, 1907. He got leave of absence from the beginning of November of that year, but never came back. He wrote to defendant several letters, and at last he saw him, and said, "Look here, Walter, it is no use this going on any further. Why don't you come to a settlement? Surely you can get somebody to go security for you. Why, I am prepared to go £5 myself to settle the matter." Defendant said, in reply, that he would consider the matter, and let witness know. Witness subsequently got a letter from him, and as a result there was an agreement to pay the trustees £25 for a deficiency of £50 in 1907. There was an agreement drawn up to that effect, but it was never submitted to defendant. Witness produced the receipt-book kept by the defendant. Items appeared as 8s, instead of 18s, and so on. The shortage had never been paid by defendant. The amounts set out in the cheques produced had to be repaid by the lodge to the payees. These amounts appeared in the bank books as having been paid by the lodge twice over.

Thomas Stiff, secretary of the Royal Progress Lodge, stated that the cheques shown him were never paid to his lodge, so far as he knew. Witness was the person to receive the money, and he had not done so.

Peter John Paterson, secretary of the Boadicia Lodge, said that the cheque produced was never paid to him.

Evidence was given by the bank manager that the cheques in Court passed through the bank, and were paid.

Adolph Albens, of Bond-street, stated that he cashed a cheque for defendant for £1 12s 6d.

Edward John Bond, one of the trustees, stated that he had said to defendant: "Of course you know why we have come to see you. We want to get an explanation from you with regard to the deficiencies." Witness read out the amounts, and said, "It totals £59 14s 1d." Defendant said, "I don't think it is that much." Witness said, "Through the Loyal Progress Lodge cheque not going through we have incurred an expense of between £6 and £7. That was through one or two of our members being struck off the Loyal Progress Lodge."

To Mr. Lenehan: Defendant did not say, "If there is a deficiency, I'll pay it, or make arrangements to pay it." He did not ask for an audit of the books. He said he had some security, and a person to go bond for him; but the trustees would not accept the security. They offered to take £25 as part of the settlement, but not as a whole.

After further evidence, the case for the prosecution was concluded, and the accused reserved his defence, and was committed for trial at the Quarter Sessions. Bail was allowed, and was at once forthcoming.

THE "KINCHIN LAY."

CONFESSED SWINDLER SENT TO GAOL.

HOW HE ROBBED THE CHILDREN.

At the Redfern Police Court, before Mr. Love, D.S.M., Cyril George Pegg, aged 17, was charged with having stolen £1, the property of Stephen Kehoe, at Waterloo on March 12; £1, the property of Sarah Charlesworth, at Redfern on March 13; £1, the property of Rose Gilligan, at Redfern on March 8; £1, the property of Clara Caroline Wainwright, at Waterloo on March 13; 7s 6d, the property of Frederick Cape, at Redfern on March 5; 15s 5d, the property of Robert Quayh, at Redfern on March 12; and 5s 6d, the property of Leslie Martin, at Redfern on March 10.

The magistrate: How many charges are there?

Sub-inspector Kelly: We intend to proceed with those seven, and they might be all heard together.

Evidence was given showing that accused systematically accosted children carrying money, and offering to give them cricket sets, bangles, etc., obtained the cash and decamped with it. To the whole of the charges the accused pleaded guilty. He was sentenced to three months' imprisonment on the first charge, three months' on the second charge, both sentences to be cumulative. On the remaining five charges the accused was sentenced to be imprisoned for one month on each charge, the sentences to be concurrent with those imposed.

STEALING GAS.

At the Central Police Court, before Mr. Smithers, S.M., Albert and Victor War, cabinetmakers, were charged with stealing gas valued 6d. Detective Buzacott and Constable Surridge, and an officer of the Gas Company, found the two accused in a front room of No. 13 Little Riley-street, Surry Hills. After some conversation Constable Surridge said "We want to look at your gas meter." Victor War rushed to it, raised the curtain that covered it, and fumbled with the pipes. It was found that the meter had been disconnected and a piece of rubber tubing joined, so that the gas used did not pass through the meter. They were both sentenced to be imprisoned with hard labour for a month. Notice of appeal has been lodged.

THE UNSOLD PRAWNS.

At the Redfern Court, before Mr. Love, D.S.M., Henry Humphries, 24, dealer, was charged with having fraudulently appropriated a quantity of prawns, a basket, and cloth, valued at 19s, the property of William King and Cecil Grieves; also with having fraudulently appropriated 10s.

William King, a fish dealer, stated that he gave the defendant a basket of prawns on two separate occasions to sell. Each basketful was worth from 20s to 30s. The arrangements were that he was to bring back in the evening 12s or 15s, and the unsold prawns, and to keep the remainder as commission. On neither occasion did he turn up, but, as far as could be gathered, he spent the money in drink. He promised to pay it given time, but never attempted to pay more than 8s for the lot.

The defence was that one lot of prawns went bad. On the other lot 8s was paid, which amount, with a basket belonging to defendant, and held by prosecutor, was sufficient to cover everything. Prosecutor, recalled, denied that the prawns went bad. They were only cooked that morning.

The defendant was fined £3, and costs 6s, in default imprisonment for one month.

ADULTERATED VINEGAR.

At the Redfern Police Court, before Mr. Love, D.S.M., Lincoln H. Bernard, inspector for North Botany, proceeded against Annie Johnson, of North Botany, for having sold him vinegar which Dr. Cooksey, assistant Government Analyst, certified was found to be diluted. Defendant pleaded guilty, and was fined £5, and costs 6s, in default imprisonment for one month.

THE MISSING 67 SOVEREIGNS.

Florrie Clifford, 31, and Laura Beveridge, 42, were charged at the Water Police Court, before Mr. Payten, S.M., with stealing 67 sovereigns from Alfred Thompson. Mr. Maut, of the Crown Law Office, prosecuted.

Alfred Thompson, a miner, at present residing in King-street, and a stranger to Sydney, said that on March 4 he was with a companion named James Fisher at the theatre. Afterwards they walked about town, and had some conversation with the accused. In a lane Beveridge pulled him about until he managed to get away. Shortly afterwards witness found that a leather bag containing 67 sovereigns had disappeared from his pocket.

James Fisher stated he had upon him 48 sovereigns wrapped in a silk handkerchief. Clifford engaged him in conversation, put her hand in his pocket, and took the money, but he recovered it.

Beveridge was committed for trial, but Clifford was discharged. Clifford was, however, committed for trial upon a charge of stealing £48 from James Fisher. Bail was allowed in both cases.

STEALING BICYCLES.

Before Mr. Payten, S.M., at the Water Police Court, Morton H. Plumb, 20, and William Free, 21, carters, were charged with stealing a bicycle valued at £19, the property of George Warwick Upham. Both were committed for trial. Upon another charge of stealing a bicycle of the value of £13 10s, the property of Victor Strugnell, on March 20, Free was committed for trial; while Plumb, upon a charge of receiving the stolen bicycle, was also committed for trial.

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SILVER WEDDINGS.

GRIFFIN—HOWLE.—March 26, 1884, at the Manse, Macquarie-street, by the Rev. Dr. Fullerton, Thomas A. Griffin, Swansea, South Wales, to Florence Howle, of Rhyl, North Wales. Present address: Cambria, Riley-street, Surry Hills.

DEATHS.

CHURCH.—March 24, 1909, John Stanley, second son of G. A. and S. L. Church, of "The Retreat," Bringelly, aged 19 years.

CLAYTON.—March 24, at the Parramatta Hospital, Thomas Clayton, of Botany-street, Randwick, aged 25 years.

DE BERT.—March 24, at Sydney, Peter de Bert, aged 44, late of Liverpool, England.

EVANS.—March 25, at his late residence, Essexville, London-street, Enmore, Alfred Essex, dearly loved husband of Fanny L. Evans, and eldest son of late Capt. J. Evans, late of Newtown, aged 62 years. By request, no flowers.

GEDDES.—March 22, at Clifton Gardens, Folkestone, England, John Henry Geddes, late of Victoria-street, Westminster, and son of the late John Geddes, Rosebank, Glebe Point. (By cable.)

HARRIS.—March 24, at Plymouth, England, Richard George, late of Woollahra. (By cable.)

JUSTIN.—March 25, 1909, at his residence, Peat's Ferry, near Waitara, Jacob, the beloved husband of Sarah Justin, late of Croydon Park, in his 43rd year.

LAVERY.—March 25, 1909, at his residence, 61 Shepherd-street, city, John, dearly beloved husband of Mary Lavery, aged 54 years. R.I.P. Special request, no flowers.

TORZILLO.—March 25, 1909, at his residence, 295 Forbes-street, Darlinghurst, Pasquale Torzillo, aged 65 years.

WILLIAMS.—March 14, 1909, at his parents' residence, Domain-road, Hobart, Roy, only dearly loved child of Katherine and Thomas Williams (late of Sydney), aged 10 months.

IN MEMORIAM.

BRENNAN.—In loving remembrance of my dear husband, John, who departed this life March 26, 1908. Inserted by his loving wife, Bridget.

BRENNAN.—In loving remembrance of our dear father, who departed this life March 26, 1908. Leaves may wither, but memory never. Inserted by his loving daughter and son-in-law, Kate and Andrew Kirk.

CASHELL.—In loving memory of our dear father, William Cashell, who departed this life March 26, 1897. Inserted by his loving son and daughter-in-law, Larry and Nell Cashell.

CASHELL.—In sad but loving remembrance of my dear husband and our dear father, William Cashell, who departed this life on March 26, 1897, at his late residence, South-street, Rushcutter Bay. Inserted by his loving wife and family. R.I.P.

COOPER.—A token of love and respect to the memory of my dear husband and our loving father, Thomas Cooper, who departed this life March 26, 1907. Inserted by his loving wife and family. Though lost to sight, to memory ever dear.

CORNICK.—In loving memory of our dear mother, Mary Ann Cornick, who departed this life March 26, 1908, at Balmain, aged 56. Inserted by her loving sons and daughters, William, Robert, Maggie, Emily, Fanny.

CORNICK.—In loving memory of our dear mother, Mary Ann Cornick, who departed this life March 26, 1908, at Balmain, aged 56. Inserted by her loving daughter and son-in-law, Mary and James Quinn.

DUNN.—A loving tribute to the memory of Elsie Dunn, who died March 26, 1908, aged 19 years. Gone, but not forgotten. Inserted by her loving friend, W. Kane.

FISCHER.—In sad but loving memory of our dear little daughter and sister, Thetis Josephine, who died March 26, 1907, aged 5 years and 5 months. Inserted by her loving mother, father, sister, and brother.

FISCHER.—In loving memory of my little friend, Thetis, who departed this life March 26, 1907, aged 5 years. Inserted by her friend, Nellie.

GIBB.—A tribute to the memory of our dear father, John Gibb, who departed this life at his residence, St. Thomas-street, Waverley, March 26, 1908, aged 76 years. Inserted by his loving son and daughter, John and Marionette Gibb.

HENRIKSON.—In loving memory of our dear little Georgie, who departed this life March 26, 1906, aged 6 years. Inserted by his loving parents, Olaf and Lucy Henrikson.

HITTMANN.—In sad but loving memory of my dear wife, Elizabeth Hittmann, and our dear mother, who passed away on March 26, 1907. Peace, perfect peace. Inserted by her affectionate husband and loving children.

HITTMANN.—In loving memory of my dear mother, Elizabeth Hittmann, who passed away on March 26, 1907.

To forget is a vain endeavour,
Love's remembrance lasts for ever.

Inserted by her loving son, Victor, and wife, and Bobbins.

HITTMANN.—In sad but loving memory of my darling mother, Elizabeth Hittmann, who passed away in perfect peace on March 26, 1907. Inserted by her loving son, Horace E. Hittmann, San Francisco, California.

HITTMANN.—In sad but loving memory of our dear mother, Elizabeth Sarah, who departed this life March 26, 1907. At rest. Inserted by her loving son and daughter-in-law, Reg, and Alice Hittmann.

LARBALESTIER.—In affectionate remembrance of our dear mother, who died March 26, 1905. Inserted by her loving children, Essie and Percy.

LOWE.—In loving memory of my dear wife, Ruth Lowe, who died March 26, 1906. Inserted by her loving husband, W. E. Lowe, and family.

McCARTHY.—In loving memory of our dear daughter and sister, Violet May, who fell asleep March 26, 1908, aged 19.

Oh, not in cruelty, not in wrath,
The Reaper came that day;
It was an angel visiting this green earth
That took our flower away.

Inserted by her loving parents, brothers, and sisters.

SKINNER.—In loving memory of my husband, Ebenezer Skinner, who died March 26, 1892.

Time comes with arms outstretched in love,
Bereavements' wounds to bind;
But having cured could ne'er remove
The scars they leave behind.

Inserted by Elizabeth Skinner.

SPICER.—In affectionate remembrance of Sarah Duncan Spicer, of Berkeley, Simmons-street, Enmore, who passed to a higher life at Wentworth Falls on March 26, 1906. "For ever with the Lord." Inserted by her loving husband, sons, and daughters.

VINTON.—In loving memory of my dear husband and our father, Thomas Vinton, who died March 26, 1908. Inserted by his loving wife and sons.

WEST.—In sad and loving remembrance of my dearly beloved husband and our dear father, Joseph West, who departed this life March 26, 1908, aged 50 years. Late of N.S.W. Government Railways. Never forgotten. Inserted by his loving wife, only daughter, and four sons.

WINTER.—In loving memory of our dear mother, Mary Winter, who passed away March 26, 1905, at Rockdale. Inserted by her loving daughter and son-in-law, John and Maria Schofield, and grandchildren, Eva, Amy, Vera, and Gladys, of Gloucester-road, Hurstville.

WOLLOGHAN.—In loving memory of my dear father, William Wolloghan, who departed this life March 26, 1902, at Glendalough, Bexley, aged 77 years. Sweet Jesus, have mercy on his soul. Inserted by his youngest daughter, Amelia.

WOLLOGHAN.—In sad and loving memory of my dearly loved father, who departed this life March 26, 1902. May his soul rest in peace. Inserted by his loving daughter, Florrie Moran.

WOLLOGHAN.—In loving memory of our dear father, William Wolloghan, who departed this life March 26, 1902. A devoted father. May perpetual light shine upon him. Inserted by his daughter and son-in-law, K. and C. Conway.

RETURN THANKS.

Mr. and Mrs. REGINALD UHDE desire to return their sincere THANKS to their kind friends for letters and floral tributes received, and for the sympathy which was extended to them in their recent sad bereavement, and ask to be kindly excused personal acknowledgment.

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CLAYTON.—The Friends of A. CLAYTON and RICHARD R. MURDEN are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late beloved COUSIN, Thomas Clayton; to leave Botany-street, Randwick, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at 2.15, for Waverley Cemetery.

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FRIDAY, MARCH 26, 1909.

THE DREADNOUGHT MEETING.

The great meeting that assembled in the basement of the Town Hall last night, one of a series that will encircle the continent, was remarkable for its unanimity and its enthusiasm. That was only to be expected. The outburst of popular feeling we are witnessing at this moment has been steadily preparing for a long time past—ever since we realised that the sea-supremacy of the Empire had been seriously challenged. What more than that was wanted to move the sons of the sea to deepest patriotism? But stirring as the enthusiasm of the meeting was, its outstanding characteristic was not hysteria, but sanity. It was clear that every speaker and every listener saw things in their right perspective; and the resolutions themselves sum up in terse and telling phrase what was behind every thought. The first resolution recognised that the time has come when we should bear our honest share in the burden of defence. Not a share dictated by the frenzy of a moment. Not a share calculated by the refined skill of the politician seeking to avoid his liabilities. But an honest share. In one word, the meeting put in its first and proper place the increase of the naval subsidy. Amounts were mentioned, but that was a secondary matter. The great thing is that this meeting—and its echoes will resound all through the Commonwealth—saw clearly its plain and abiding duty. It said in simple and straightforward terms that, however politicians may palter, the people of Australia are ready and eager to contribute their quota to naval maintenance—and to contribute it with no restriction and with no reserve.

That determination remains in the foreground, and we hope it will always do so. We hope that those who find an escape from their manifest duty to the Empire by talk of local defence and mosquito fleets will find how little availing are these preachments in the face of a national awakening to a national danger and a national duty. But immediately behind this lies the subject of the second resolution—the gift of a Dreadnought. No one in that great meeting was under any illusion that an Australian Dreadnought would save the navy. No one supposed for a moment that it was an alternative to an increased subsidy or a rational local defence. It says much for our good sense that no heroics were indulged in. We realise at once the limitations and the significance of this gift so heartily decided on. We wish to give this battleship straight away, not as an excuse to escape from the larger duty of playing our part in the maintenance of supremacy at sea, but as an immediate object lesson to the world in the homogeneity of the Empire. *It is not the first; it will not be the last.* But the occasion has called for it, and now, as ever, it is forthcoming—unrehearsed, unheralded, unforced. That, even more than the material strength the colonial battleships will add to the fleet, will strike dismay into the hearts of rivals wherever they may be. The splendid example of New Zealand will be followed by the Commonwealth and Canada without hesitation. Our resources are ample for our task. Our will to use them is unquestionable, and our capacity for action cannot be denied. That is the lesson the gift of the Dreadnoughts carries.

There remains the question of method. In theory the best method would have been for the Commonwealth Government to speak at once for the continent. We should have then all paid our share. But Mr. Fisher is timid and tonguetied. We must leave him out of the question. The next best plan, in theory, would have been for the State Governments to guarantee each their quota—and perhaps this may yet need to be done. But here again there has been some division, some hesitancy. It is natural that there should be. But we must say at once that the absence of Mr. Wade from last night's meeting, and, still more, the tone of his message, were inexcusable. The Premier was at Kempsey; but, however important the affairs of Kempsey may be, those of the Empire should take precedence. We can only say that his expression of opinion that the Dreadnought proposal was inappropriate was personal merely. It did not reflect the opinion of the meeting. It does not reflect the opinion of the State. And so we come down to the practical fact that the most striking plan to meet the case is found in the popular fund initiated in terms of the third resolution. The committee appointed to settle details of the campaign is a thoroughly representative and capable body. We have no doubt it will do all that is required to allow a sane patriotism to express itself practically and rapidly. For the rest, the honour of Australia is at stake, though it is little likely to be in jeopardy. But the fund should not be left to the large giver, welcome as he is, and honourable as is his liberality. This is a business in which everyone who has any sort of income should have a direct share. He is not called on to make undue sacrifice. There is no alarm and no crisis. But he is given a share in a great enterprise, and we imagine there are few of us who will not be glad to have it.

PROGRESS OF THE STATE.

Speaking at Blayney, Mr. Waddell quoted a few figures that do more to illustrate the material progress of the State than pages of rhetoric. The season of country shows is now upon us, and it is a time in which it is peculiarly fitting to take a glance at the great work of development we have in hand. That development, it is worth while to remember, is in the largest part the work of private enterprise. While the ineffective politician pursues his meandering way, sometimes hindering, sometimes helping, but never helping as much as he ought, the actual business of building up sound and sterling assets proceeds apace. And at whose hands? Mainly at the hands of men of whom we seldom hear, but who with stubborn perseverance win their way through difficulties which we indeed know of, but which we cannot realise, unless we have had personal experience of them. The country show is an object-lesson in all this, and its best exhibit is the man who is making the country what it is to be. Looking around on such an audience Mr. Waddell might well see in his astonishing retrospect only the promise of a still more astonishing future. In the last twenty years our staple industries have had to face many severe handicaps. Some of them have been of our own making. *Others* if they recur can be met by superior initiative and intelligence. Others, again, such as a run of droughts or of low prices, are beyond, and must remain beyond, our control. But against all these setbacks we may fairly quote natural resources that very few similar areas anywhere can equal, and though we have our troubles with the seasons and rabbits and so on, we know all these put together are mere trifles to the drawbacks with which, say, the exploiters of tropical Africa, or even the snow-bound Canadians, have to contend. We may well be content with our heritage.

As Mr. Waddell's few figures suggest, the best feature of the splendid progress of the last two decades is that it is an all-round progress. We have maintained and strengthened our position in the wool markets of the world, and in the Far East we are beginning to find a vast new field wherein the demand for wool seems certain to increase in a rapid ratio. What we shall do to increase and improve our wool output in the next twenty years will probably surprise those who live to see it. Close attention to breeding, the progress of mixed farming, the building up of reserves, such as silage and water, and the development of closer settlement, will enable us to make huge strides still both in quality and quantity. We shall learn, too, to produce precisely what our new markets require. Wheat-growing, for all the wonders that have been accomplished, is still in its infancy, but this industry is an infant Hercules, whose triumphing youth may well realise Mr. Waddell's sanguine anticipations. The growth of meat export has been somewhat disappointing; but here again we may learn to tread close on the heels of our rivals. There are yet developments of the live stock industry that will add millions to our profits. We have to learn to make use of the pig, as the Americans do, for example. And what is true of these great agricultural industries applies with equal force to scores of minor matters. In the mineral industry, too, we have made solid progress, though not nearly so much as we ought to have done. Better knowledge, greater energy, and more confidence are required in this field before we can outstrip, for instance, the remarkable exploits of American mining. This is an industry, too, that demands imperatively intelligent assistance from the State in the shape of railway construction. Indeed, when we look at Mr. Waddell's figures as a whole we may be amazed at the timidity with which, as a State, we proceed to do our part in making industrial advance possible. If we pursued a fivefold more vigorous policy we should still not be unduly hypothecating the future. When we begin to realise how large a part the State may reasonably play in this development of natural resources, not merely with safety, but to the enormous profit of the community as a whole, we have good reason to regret how much of the strength of politics is thrown away on party strife, on personal ambition, and on the thousand and one littlenesses that reverberate like a South Sea Islander's tom-tom—and produce as little effect.

CONSUMPTIVES AGAIN.

Perhaps in the present state of the public mind we need not look for much attention to the work of those amongst us who are combating consumption. Yet it would be shortsighted to ignore that work. Sir Philip Sydney Jones's unfailing interest in this great movement must always be noticed with gratitude, for whilst the physician is ever engaged in the battle with consumption, but few men in the profession can afford to give their time and special knowledge ungrudgingly to every phase of this great campaign. The work of the Queen Victoria Homes for Consumptives is *the only organised endeavour made* in this community to stay the ravages of phthisis. Too much honour cannot be given to those who associate themselves with this most philanthropic labour. The public owes them not only its praise, but its support, for they are keeping alive a campaign which must be extended and enlarged on every side if we would hope to bring within control this terrible disease. When we consider not only how many lives are lost every year by consumption, but also how many men and women are stricken yearly out of the ranks of productive citizens, and are reduced to the condition of hopeless and helpless dependents upon public or private charity, besides being made possible centres of disease to the healthy, we may well regard with astonishment the indifference which men and women in health display towards the plague of civilisation, as consumption truly is. Dr. Sydney Jones tells us what every authority on the disease tells us, that it is within our power to reduce, and in course of time, perhaps, almost to stamp out, this disease. It should be made a notifiable disease. That is, whenever it exists at such a stage as to be capable of ready detection the health authorities of the place should know of it. Then we should have a true census of the complaint. We should know where the victims were, and how they were being treated, what progress they made, and in how far the health of the surrounding population was affected. It is found that there is principally among the workers a great objection to notification. It is feared that even official cognisance of his condition may entail loss of work, segregation, or other consequence. But if the result is to give every sufferer a chance—a considerable chance—of recovery by his case being early diagnosed and skilfully treated, then even the individual gain at once far outweighs the individual loss. Much more so the national gain. Then having secured the prompt and early notification of disease, the authorities would proceed to apply remedial treatment. In the early stages the patient would be sent to a sanatorium in a climate suited to his case, in advanced stages a different treatment might be adopted, the hopeless cases would be drafted to such an institution as Waterfall, but in all instances patients would be taught how to secure their own benefit and that of the public by simple measures of healthy living and reasonable care. One effect amongst many of this course would be to make the work of fighting consumption take rank amongst the true objects of State and local government. Instead of being left as the burden of private charity and professional zeal, with the result that numbers of deserving cases must be abandoned for want of means, each and every patient would be brought under enlightened treatment from an early period in the disease. It is much to be hoped that a work of this nature will be properly co-ordinated under fresh legislation suited to modern knowledge of the disease, and that the State will not much longer cast upon a few of its citizens the painful burdens and responsibilities of caring for the victims of the greatest scourge of civilised man.

Saturday's "Herald."—On account of the large amount of advertising matter which has to be dealt with for Saturday's issue of the "Herald," advertisers and agents are requested to send in their advertisements as early as possible to-day, in order to facilitate classification.

Argentine Farmers for Australia.—The following letter has been received by the secretary of the Immigration League of Australasia from Comodora Rivadavia-Argentine:—"Sir,—Seeing a letter by Dr. Richard Arthur in the 'Pastoralists' Review' offering information to intending emigrants about the possibilities of the Commonwealth, my reason for writing you is to ask for information, as I intend leaving this country and come again under my flag. I came to this country some six years ago, and established myself upon Government land—6200 acres of poor land. I could make a very decent living here, but I do not care for the people, and there is no protection for life or property, especially in this part of the Republic. Besides, our sons are liable to military service—conscription. Would you please give me all the information you can, and advise me as to the best place to settle in Australia. There are several families here awaiting information. I might mention that we are sheep farmers, and willing to go in for agriculture. I might also mention that each family would have at least £2000, as some of those who want to leave say they will let their places if they cannot sell. So that they would have £200 or £300 per annum besides the sum previously mentioned. In conclusion, I may say that for all expenses which you may spend on our behalf I will remit."

Comet Wags its Tail.—The comet Morehouse (1908), which is at present visible in our southern sky, is purely a telescopic object. It was discovered on September 1, 1908, by Mr. Morehouse, one of the astronomers attached to the Yerkes Observatory, U.S.A. At the time it was about 150 million of miles from our earth, and rapidly approaching the sun. Early in November the comet reached its greatest brightness. From that time it has been moving rapidly from our planet, and is becoming fainter each month. This comet has been one of the most interesting of objects to astronomers of the Northern Hemisphere, owing to the continual changes that have taken place in the appearance of the tail. Hardly on two consecutive nights did its formation appear similar. Professor Barnard, Yerkes Observatory, has made a most valuable collection of photographs of it, numbering several hundreds, and considers them the most important set of cometary photos ever obtained.

To Stamp Out Consumption.—Speaking yesterday at the annual meeting of the Queen Victoria Home for Consumptives, Sir Phillip Sydney Jones said that what they had in the crusade against consumption were the two public sanatoriums, a private sanatorium, the one in course of erection for the poor, and the institution promised by the Government at Waterfall. That was all they had for the prevention and cure of the disease. What was required was the compulsory notification throughout the State. They required a central clearing-house, where patients could be received and drafted to the homes or sanatoriums. Another good thing would be the introduction of a travelling exhibition, which would show the various appliances to prevent the spread of tuberculosis, as well as a free distribution of literature on the subject.

Easter Tours.—The Government Tourist Bureau announce four tours over the Easter holidays. Each tour extends from Thursday, April 8, to Tuesday, April 13. The first is to Mount Kosciusko and the principal scenic view points on the Australian Alps. The new Hotel Kosciusko, situated at an altitude of 6000ft, within the winter snow-line, will be visited, and a limited time will be available for trout-fishing. The second excursion is to the South Coast district, and takes in interesting places like Eden, Twofold Bay, Boyd Town, and Bega. The third trip includes Moss Vale, Fitzroy Falls, Kangaroo Valley, Nowra, Jervis Bay, the magnificent mountain pass at Bulli, and a drive along the coast to Stanwell Park. The other tour, which has been specially asked for, is to the Myall Lakes district and Port Stephens. The steamer Karuah leaves Sydney on Thursday for Port Stephens, where launches will be waiting to convey tourists on the lakes and the Myall and Karuah rivers.

North Sydney Technical College.—Some considerable time has elapsed since the Minister for Public Instruction approved of a site in Falcon-street, North Sydney, upon which to erect a technical college to serve the growing requirements of the Northern Suburbs. That area has since been resumed, but as yet there is no evidence on the part of the authorities of intention to construct the necessary buildings. The delay is causing a certain amount of uneasiness in the minds of those interested in the movement, and the member for St. Leonards, Mr. E. M. Clark, has represented the position to the Minister, but so far without satisfactory results. At Tuesday's meeting of the North Sydney Council it was decided to ask Mr. Clark, M.L.A., to arrange for a deputation to the Minister on the subject, with a view to getting an assurance that the work of building will be proceeded with as soon as possible.

The Islands.—"Germany," writes our Suva correspondent, under date March 17, "is preparing for a naval demonstration in Samoa. The cruiser Leipzic, with Vice-Admiral Coerper on board, arrived on the 15th, and Arcona on the 16th. The storeship Titania is due on the 18th. Bunker coal is being supplied by the Koyla, under charter to the Norddeutscher Lloyd Company. The Leipzic left for Apia this morning, and the Arcona and Titania follow shortly. Advice is to hand that Sir Everand im Thurn, Governor of Fiji, returns to the colony from England next month. Tenders for the steam fruit-carrying service to Melbourne have closed, but so far no announcement on the subject has been made. At present the supply of fruit does not appear to be greatly in excess of the demands of the existing markets. The planter seems always to be confronted by one difficulty or another. This year he has escaped loss by hurricane only to have thousands of bunches spoilt by floods."

An Oppressive Day.—After an uncomfortably hot night, yesterday broke close and muggy in the city, the thermometer reading as early as 9 a.m. being 76 degrees. There was hardly a breath of air, and the thermometer gradually rose until the maximum, 88.9 degrees, was reached. This reading is the highest since January 4 this year, when 89.1 degrees was recorded. What made the conditions even more trying was the large percentage of moisture in the atmosphere. Shortly before 3 o'clock there were indications of a storm approaching. A violent duststorm suddenly burst over the suburbs, followed by thunder and lightning. A little rain also fell, but it was barely sufficient to lay the dust, and the hopes that the storm would cool the atmosphere were not fulfilled. The oppressive conditions continued during the afternoon. There was little wind in the evening, and at 9 p.m. the thermometer at the Observatory showed 72.5 degrees. The Government Astronomer, however, last night said a cool change may be expected, as it was spreading over the whole State and dispelling the warm conditions.

Public Works Committee.—Mr. L. A. B. Wade, Chief Engineer for Rivers, Water Supply, and Drainage, was examined before the Public Works Committee yesterday afternoon on the subject of constructing a breakwater on the northern side of the entrance to the Clarence River, with a view of carrying out the plan suggested by the late Sir John Coode. In his evidence Mr. Wade detailed at some length what he had noticed during his recent trip to Durban where the conditions are somewhat the same as they are in our North Coast harbours. His examination was not concluded.

The Chief Railway Commissioner has accepted a number of tenders for annual supplies to the Railway Department for the year beginning on July 1 next. The lines include ironware, tools, and stores of various kinds, galvanised iron and tinware, leather goods, oils, and a host of sundries.

To-morrow afternoon the members of the Court of Inquiry, which is investigating the stranding of the steamer Wallsend on the Bellambi reef, will leave Sydney by the Government steamer Captain Cook for the scene of the accident.

The annual meeting of the Liberal and Reform Association has been fixed for May 17, and such succeeding days as may be necessary.

In our report of the Equity Court proceedings yesterday, the name A. G. M'Intosh, should have appeared H. E. M'Intosh.

CLAYTON'S DEATH.

THE JOCKEY'S STORY OF THE SMASH.

The inquest on the body of the jockey Thomas Clayton, who died in the Parramatta District Hospital on Thursday from injuries sustained at Rosehill racecourse, was held on the same day, by Mr. E. L. Maitland, S.M.

James Clayton, father of the deceased, stated that he saw his son in the hospital on Monday last, and asked him how the accident happened. Deceased said: "I was lying about third in the Trial Stakes. My horse was then going strong, and the horse in front of me hung out. (Witness thought that meant swerved.) My horse galloped on his heels, and that brought me down." Witness asked him if he thought there was any foul riding in the race, and he said he did not think so, and that the horse in front of him was simply tiring and coming back to him.

Dr. Kearney said that deceased was quite conscious during his illness, and seemed clear as to the accident and what brought it about. He stated that it was caused by one of the horses in front coming back on him, and he galloped on this horse's heels. He said it was purely accidental, and no one was to blame in the matter.

The coroner returned a verdict of death from injuries accidentally received.

THE PLAGUE.

SHIPPING FIRM'S DISCLAIMER.

The following letter has been addressed to the Lord Mayor (Alderman Taylor) by Messrs. W. S. Tait and Co., the agents for the steamer St. Louis:—

Sir,—In this morning's papers appear the report of yesterday's meeting of the above committee, in which Alderman Meagher is reported to have made certain statements about the Saint Louis and Noumea, to which we would like to reply with the facts. In the first instance, Noumea is not a plague-infected port; no case of plague having been found there for some years, and vessels from there bear a clean bill of health. Secondly, not a bag of maize or produce landed from the St. Louis came from Noumea (or, for that matter, from New Caledonia). The majority of the few bags of maize at present on the wharf were lightered there from quarantine after inspection by the Health authorities, and when landed, and up to to-day, showed no rat-holes whatever. Also, every package delivered from the vessel was passed by the inspector of the Health Department before delivery. The statements made by Alderman Meagher at this, and at previous meetings on the same matter, show an entire lack of knowledge of the facts, and we think he should be careful, before making public statements, to ascertain if this information is absolutely correct.

FISH BECOMING PLENTIFUL.

UNANDERRA, Wednesday.

The supply of prawns and fish was so great yesterday that the first train could not take all the boxes, and had to leave about 50 cases to be taken by the milk train.

TO-DAY.

Band Contest: Manly Oval, 8.
State Military Band: Argyle Reserve, 8.
Newtown Brass Band: Moore Park, 8.
Hawkesbury River: Round Trip, 8.15.
Her Majesty's Theatre: "Havana," 8.
Royal: "A Royal Divorce," 8.
Tivoli Theatre: Vaudeville, 7.50.
Criterion: "She Stoops to Conquer," 8.
Palace: Cherniavskis, 8.
National Amphitheatre: Vaudeville, 7.45.
Clay's Vaudeville: Masonic Hall, North Sydney, 8.
Zoological Gardens: 10.
Bijou Theatre: Moving Pictures, 8.
Glaciarium: West's Pictures, 8.
Figure 8: Coogee, 8.
Spencer's Theatrescope: Lyceum Hall, 8.
Queen's Hall: The Salome Dance, 8.
Wonderland City: Bondi, 7.
Royal Art Society: Cabinet Exhibition, 10 to 5.
Victoria Hall: Moving Pictures, 8.
Central Hall, Balmain: Moving Pictures, 8.
St. George's Hall, Newtown: Entertainment, 8.

PERSONAL.

VICE-REGAL.

We have been requested to state that the visitors' book of his Excellency the Administrator of the Government is now at the Governor's office, Chief Secretary's-building, Macquarie-street, Sydney.

Sir Harry Rawson has presented an autograph portrait of himself to the Australian Historical Society. The gift was made at the society's request.

The remains of the late Mrs. Sarah Jane Marks, widow of the late Mr. James Marks, of Arlington, Edgecliff-road, Woollahra, were interred at the Waverley Cemetery on Tuesday, in the presence of a large gathering of relatives and friends. The service at the graveside was conducted by the Rev. R. M'Intyre, assisted by the Rev. J. Ferguson.

As is generally known, five or six new artists arrived here from England by the Asturias on Saturday, under engagement to Messrs. Meynell and Gunn. Less generally known is the fact that the entente cordiale between two of them, Mr. Frank Randell and Miss Gladys Harvey, led to a marriage at St. James' Church a few hours after the ship came into port. The Rev. W. I. Carr Smith performed the ceremony, and Miss Madge M'Intosh, who had known the contracting parties in connection with the H. B. Irving Company in London, gave the bride away. The only others present were Miss Winifred Gunn, Mrs. Marsden, and the Rev. Mr. Marsden. In the afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Randell, who had been engaged to each other before sailing from London, attended a rehearsal of "The Hypocrites."

Mr. F. H. Wilshire, of the Pastoral Finance Association, received a cable yesterday announcing the death of his brother-in-law, Mr. John Henry Geddes, at Folkestone, England, at the age of 45 years. Mr. Geddes was the son of the late John Geddes, of Glebe Point. He took a very lively interest in the work of refrigeration, and the export of frozen meat and other foods. He was the founder and head of a large wool and produce firm called "J. H. Geddes and Co., the Pastoral Association, Ltd.," which in 1891 amalgamated with the Pastoralists' Finance Trust and Agency Company of Australasia, Ltd., and formed the present Pastoral Finance Association, Ltd. Mr. Geddes became managing director, and was largely instrumental in putting the foreign meat export trade on its present footing. He severed his connection with the association to inaugurate the firm of "J. H. Geddes, Birt, and Co." This firm also engaged on a large scale in the frozen meat trade. Mr. Geddes next went to England as the representative of the Queensland Government, and while there he established the London Central Cold Storage Association, Ltd. This company had large works in several of the important centres of London, and also at Liverpool and Manchester. Going a step further, Mr. Geddes established what was known as the Imperial Food Supplies, Ltd. It had central depots in all the important centres of Great Britain, and had outlying or feeding depots in all parts of the world where food of any kind was produced in large quantities. It also had distributing centres. Right up to the last Mr. Geddes always associated himself with any movement that had for its object the development of refrigeration and the exportation of frozen foods.

The death is announced of Signor Pasquale Torzillo, of Forbes-street, Darlinghurst. Signor Torzillo was one of the pioneers of music in Australia, as he has been harp playing since he came here 47 years ago. Signor Torzillo leaves a family of six children, all of whom are known in the musical world.

Bishop Wilson of Melanesia arrived in Sydney by the Mongolia yesterday from London. He leaves on April 1 for Norfolk Island. After a week there he sails on the Southern Cross. Her cruise will be:—New Hebrides, Bank's Islands, Torres Island, Santa Cruz Islands, Solomons. The steamer will be back in ten weeks (she is now in Auckland), but the Bishop will stay till October in the Solomons. The Southern Cross will pick him up, and bring him to Norfolk Island at the end of November.

At the final meeting of the citizens' farewell committee, in connection with Sir Harry Rawson's departure, held yesterday at the Town Hall, and presided over by the Lord Mayor, Mr. W. G. Layton, one of the joint honorary secretaries, was presented by the members' executive with a gold matchbox. The Lord Mayor, in making the presentation, said he regarded it as one of the most memorable in his life.

The Minister for External Affairs, Mr. Batchelor, and the Postmaster-General, Mr. J. Thomas, left Melbourne for Adelaide by express yesterday. Next Wednesday Mr. Batchelor will proceed to Sydney, where he expects to spend a few days, on his way to Queensland.

At Wednesday's meeting of the Water Board, Alderman Henley, M.L.A., was elected vice-president, in succession to Mr. Jacob Garrard.

After the payment of all accounts in connection with the citizens' farewell to Sir Harry Rawson, a balance of about £40 remains. The committee in charge of the fund has decided to hand over this sum to the Rawson Memorial Institute committee.

The president and council of the Sydney Chamber of Commerce, the members, and other traders will attend at the Royal Exchange at 4 p.m. to-day to meet Mr. C. Hamilton Wickes, British Trade Commissioner in Australia, who will briefly explain his mission.

Mrs. Hilma Molyneux Parkes, wife of Mr. Charles M. Parkes, died suddenly at her residence in Yeo-street, Neutral Bay, at 4 p.m. yesterday. Death is supposed to have been due to cerebral hemorrhage. Mrs. Parkes was a native of Sweden, and arrived in Australia about 20 years ago. For the past 12 or 15 years she had been associated with almost every public movement which had for its end the uplifting of womankind. She was about 45 years of age, and left no children.

FISH GRATIS.

FOR CHARITABLE INSTITUTIONS.

THE ENDEAVOUR'S HAULS.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The Minister for Trade and Customs, Mr. Tudor, has intimated that any fish captured by the fisheries investigation vessel will be supplied to hospitals and other charitable institutions free of charge, provided no expense is incurred by the Government in regard to carriage, packing, etc. It is uncertain at what periods or in what quantities fish will be available for distribution. But Mr. Tudor will be glad to receive applications from institutions of the character mentioned, who should specify the arrangements they propose to make. He will then endeavour to meet their wishes. He particularly desires that any such distributions shall apply to the country as well as to the city.

THE PAROO'S STOWAWAYS.

PROSECUTION AUTHORISED.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The Minister for External Affairs, Mr. Batchelor, has authorised a prosecution in the case of the steamer Paroo, on board which six Chinese stowaways were recently discovered. The Paroo arrived at Fremantle (W.A.) with smallpox on board. The Customs officials had information that there were stowaways on the vessel. The officers were not allowed aboard on account of the smallpox. They informed the captain of the presence of the stowaways, and he promised to have a search made. This he did, and the Chinese were found. The Act as passed at the end of last session makes the master, owners, agents, or charterers of the vessel jointly and severally liable on summary conviction to a penalty of £100 for each stowaway brought into port in Australia.

SOUTH AUSTRALIAN CABINET.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

The Premier has offered the Chief Secretary's portfolio, which will become vacant upon Mr. Kirkpatrick's retirement, to Mr. F. S. Wallis, M.L.C. Mr. Wallis has accepted.

TRAWLING IN THE COMMONWEALTH.

RECORD OF SPASMODIC EFFORT.

LESSONS TO BE GAINED.

The beginning of the work of the trawler Endeavour, recently built by the State dockyard engineers at Cockatoo Island for the purpose of exploiting the waters round Australia within convenient distances of the seaports for fish, draws attention to what has been already done in trawling here. For about 50 years altogether the business of trawling has been more or less in the air, but it has never got to the stage of being a commercial success, for several reasons, which will be explained hereafter.

Take the historical aspect first. In the year 1857 our records show that a small vessel arrived in Port Jackson from Mauritius with a trawl of the old beam type aboard. The master electrified the community by reporting that he had secured such a splendid haul of turbot in waters near Sydney that his net broke under the strain. The public imagination was quickly aroused, and the equally imaginative captain's statement was swallowed as whole-heartedly as a shark swallows a salmon. The huge "turbot" haul attracted the attention of the then Governor, Sir William Denison, and some patriotic citizens, amongst whom were Sir William Macleay, Captain F. Hixson, and Captain Broomfield. Sir William Macleay's advocacy of a trial of the waters near Sydney was earnest and praiseworthy, for he was one of our best naturalists, whose work in connection with our fish fauna is too little acknowledged. He saw an opportunity of learning something about the inhabitants of our ocean, and it was not long before some useful scientific work was done. But the trawling enthusiasts looked in vain for turbot, and, after knocking his beam into splinters on some of the rocks in deep water, the imaginative captain departed for other fields.

For twenty years thereafter nothing was apparently done, except by scientists, who operated dredges on the bottom, and caught plenty of new and interesting varieties of foraminiferae, tunicates, and other growths of no marketable value as food. In 1883-4 the Fisheries' Commissioners of New South Wales engaged in another spasmodic marine search, but the results achieved did not prove of sufficient value to induce anyone to undertake the commercial development of the deep sea here. About the same time work with the trawl was put in hand off the Victorian coast, under the direction of Mr. W. C. Oxley, of Melbourne, a man of practical experience and fearless disposition, who is still convinced that there are trawling grounds of substantial extent on the southern side of the continent.

The next trawling effort stands to the credit of a few Italians in Sydney. They worked off Sydney Heads with a Continental adaptation of the beam trawl known as a paranza. Earnest and plucky as they were this body of enthusiasts could not make a success of it in trawling. The paranza, compared with the modern otter trawl, was clumsy, and its operation expensive, for it necessitated two sailing vessels dragging the net. The Italians, however, got one splendid haul of fish, and prospects looked rosy for a time. Then bad weather and foul bottoms played havoc with their hopes, and the business was abandoned after more money had been sunk at the bottom of the sea than was taken from it. They could not say, like the cheery Scottish trawlers who recently lost their boat and gear in South Australian waters, "They are waggin' their tails at us the noo that'll pey for this." The fish the Italians caught, good as they undoubtedly were, had to be sold in competition with those obtained in the estuaries, inlets, and lakes of the coast, and the latter being plentiful at the time glutted the market.

Eleven years ago a more ambitious attempt to stimulate the deep-sea wealth was made in New South Wales, following upon an effort to induce British and colonial capitalists to put money into a big trawling and fish distribution scheme. This experience cost the State about £5000, but it was not turned to subsequent advantage. Mr. F. Farnell was the prime mover in the matter, and went on a five weeks' trawling cruise, which included a disastrous visit to Lord Howe Island.

The practical trawling of this vessel—the Government steamer Thetis—was managed excellently by Captain Carl A. Nielsen, and the navigator was Captain C. P. Hildebrand. The Thetis was most unsuitable for the work, and her fitting up cost too much money. The Thetis went out in the month of February, and with various breaks in ports along the coast owing to storms and the necessity for repairing the torn trawl, continued her work until near the end of March. She worked a number of grounds which the charts indicated were sandy, gravelly, or muddy, but she struck many uncharted patches of rocky ocean floor. Invariably just before rock was met with the trawl caught schnapper. Sometimes it was the mesh of the net that was torn, and some of the rents were large enough to allow a whale to escape, but more often it was the ground rope which caught, and either parted or talked to the engineer in a way he did not like.

The value of the Thetis cruise from an instructive point of view cannot be gainsaid, although many of the hauls were comparatively barren, and a great amount of rubbish was caught. Generally speaking, the catches would not have paid wages to the workers and officers aboard; but then she was not run on commercial lines. The apparently valueless fish would all have had some value to a trawler operating in grim earnest. The immense number of sawfish, fiddlers, and rays, including some very lively electric members of the latter species, would all have been turned to some use on a commercial trawler, even if they had only been cut up and used to groundbait certain grounds proved to be prolific in fish and easily worked. Nothing is wasted on a real trawling cruise. The net used was an otter of the latest pattern, and with this the vessel was able to trawl with the current, across it, and against it, and even work a huge circle without being turtled.

Every bottom feeding fish that our ocean secretes was caught in the trawl, and as many of these are of splendid quality, but very little known, *it is clear that the result of trawling* would enable people to make acquaintance with fish the very appearance of which they are at present unfamiliar with. But no one knows at present the periods during which certain species might be caught in the trawl and the area trawlable. The Thetis found that there were many grounds on which the otter could be worked off most of the inlets where the largest rivers of the coast reached the sea. The sand and mud brought down by the streams during the ages has caused a submarine levelling on which the trawl can fish beautifully. Off Broken Bay, Port Hacking, and Crookhaven, beyond the three-mile limit, there are grounds that could be well worked for some years, and it is likely that the grounds off the mouth of the Clarence exceed in value those already tested.

The statement has been made that the Thetis discovered a trawlable area along this coast 300 miles long and at least 10 miles broad, but this is not quite correct. The Thetis merely discovered patches of trawling bottom scattered over 300 miles, and it should be honestly added by anyone recounting her exploits that she also found a large number of places within the 300 miles tried where the trawl could not be used at all. To attempt to misleadthe public in this matter is to court disaster. There are large trawling areas on the coast, but there are not 300 continuous miles of them between Jervis Bay and Seal Rocks. It is very doubtful, too, whether even a couple of trawlers worked by men on the share principle could make a success of the work, even if they had the market to themselves. When the coast district develops and markets are established right along the coast, the chances of successful work in the deep sea with the trawl will be very much enhanced, but at present there are practically only two markets for fish in the State, viz., Sydney and Newcastle. Matters are a little better in that respect in Queensland and Victoria, but not much, and on the whole New South Wales is ahead of all the other States in her system of marketing and distribution, while she is a century behind other parts of the world. Of this, more anon.

Some very valuable trawling was carried on in Western Australia waters during 1904 by Mr. W. C. Oxley, under the superintendence of Mr. C. F. Gale, Chief Inspector of Fisheries of W.A., but again the penny-wise, pound-foolish policy of the Government simply aborted the trips undertaken. A ketch of 30 tons, called the Rip, was well fitted up with three ground otter trawls, a surface net for herring and other high swimming fish, long lines or "bultows" for midwater and bottom fishing over reefy bottoms, oyster dredges, and a good supply of steel warps, ground ropes, etc. Operating for about 11 months, the trawlers discovered off the western coast of the continent several trawlable grounds of small extent, and also a great number of bad grounds for otter trawl fishing. On the latter they found splendid line fishing, and their success in this respect shows how necessary it is that trawling should not be relied upon alone to secure hauls of fish for the market. On the bad grounds, as with the Thetis, the nets were ripped by the rocks, and a good deal of time was lost repairing them. With the otter, the best fish taken by Mr. Oxley and his party were soles, which were found in payable numbers in several places; and other good catches were of prawns, deepsea crustaceans, and cray fish. The little Rip lost a lot of time sheltering during storms, and, being a sailing vessel, her field of work was limited. Had a steam trawler been used, the results might have been very much more gratifying. Mr. Oxley, with characteristic bluntness and honesty, says that trawling in depths over 40 fathoms is not likely to be as profitable as work in shallower water. Therefore, the western experiments go to prove again that trawling along the New South Wales coast in depths of over 80 fathoms would be distinctly unprofitable. The western workers discovered many sandy and trawlable grounds that were devoid of fish, but it does not follow that because they were unfruitful at the time tried that they would be similarly unproductive on another occasion. Mr. Oxley styled these "hungry" grounds, and, in his report, says, "I would point out that there is much ground yet to be prospected, and that, although no great success has been met with during our trawling operations, there are seasons of the year when fish may be obtained on the grounds which have been discovered."

These are practically all the serious attempts to discover trawling grounds on the Australian coast, and none of them have led to the business of deep-sea fishing being extended or perfected. The ocean depths with all their wealth remain for some enterprising people, who will have the sense to avoid the errors of their predecessors, to develop.

Now as to the probability of the discovery of trawling grounds on the northern half of Australia, it may be at once assumed that very few of these will be found. The best grounds of the North Sea, and off the Cape of Good Hope are not the result of the deposition of river detritus. They are shallow basins formed in the older geologic periods, and practically permanencies. The northern half of Australia is of a vastly different construction. Coral reefs in the making are there, and where they are there can be little or no trawling with the otter. Between the Great Barrier Reef and the coast, however, on the eastern side of Queensland, there are plenty of level bottoms of small extent which would probably be rich in fish fauna, but the drawback here would be the frequency of the hauls up in order to avoid rocks. At the mouths of the various rivers the area trawlable would be greater, but on the whole one could not seriously look upon Queensland waters as suitable for trawling.

That we are a century behind some of the other countries of the world in the development of our fisheries is clear to anyone who has watched national progress for any length of time. In all the great cities of Australia attempts have been made from time to time to develop the industry commercially, but no great success can be credited to anyone except it be a fish seller or two, and an agent or two. The two ends—fool ends, as the public and the catchers have been repeatedly called—of a bad system of fish distribution and supply are the sufferers. In New South Wales more attempts to float companies to handle the fish industry have been made than in any other of the States, and the same record of lost money and failure has been put up with deadly persistency. One can only wonder at the crass foolishness of those who rush their money into a concern dealing with fish without feeling sure that the people who are handling their money are capable. There is good money to be made in the fish industry here, but the man who handles it must know the business from A to Z, not be merely a specialist in one branch and blind to the possibilities of another. It is a big question, but it can be profitably dealt with by one who knows the trickery and fraud of the business in some respects, and is fearless and able to conduct business honestly.

In the first place it should be recognised that there are many centres of population along the coast, and that in each of these there is, or there should be, a good market for fish. The great cities, with their radiating lines of railways leading to the inland towns, where fish is a luxury and a rarity, will of course remain the great markets, and these should be attacked first, as being likely to yield the earliest profit. Trawled or inshore-netted fish should be brought cleaned to the markets, so that the waste matters, with their unpleasant odours, will cease to become a persistent nuisance and a disgrace to progressive cities. In all the other great trawling and fishing centres of the world the cleaning of fish is an important matter. The work of the trawlers after a haul comes aboard is regarded as being of the utmost value. The fish are sorted, and the rubbish, such as rays, sawfishes, and the small and unmarketable food fishes, are cut up and thrown overboard, to improve the grounds. The marketable fish are cleaned in sea water, which not only acts as a deodoriser, but helps to keep the fish, and the men then pack their catches properly in baskets or boxes, so that the fish are not squeezed out of shape. The public here in Australia will soon learn how to tell fresh fish that has not got the entrails in or the red gills that the housewife has been always told to look for. The smell, appearance, and feel of the fish will tell her quickly whether the fish submitted to her in decently clean shops, protected like the butchers' shops from the dust of the streets by means of gauze, are fresh.

THE COMMONWEALTH.

BLACK LABOUR DYNAMITE.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

A deputation waited upon the Minister for Customs, Mr. Tudor, to-day to protest against the importation of dynamite made by black labour in South Africa. Mr. Tudor said the tariff did not enable him to discriminate between goods made by black or white labour. Sugar produced by black labour in Java came into Australia on the same terms as sugar from other places. It was refreshing to find the desire growing to use only goods made by white labour. Every encouragement should be given to the manufacturer of explosives in Australia.

TASMANIAN CABLES.

A SATISFACTORY TRIAL.

The two cables laid for the Commonwealth Government between Tasmania and Victoria have been tested, and found to be working satisfactorily. The cables will be worked under normal service conditions until the expiration of the agreement with the Government and the Eastern Extension Company, early in May, when the Commonwealth-owned lines will be called upon to carry all the messages between Australia and Tasmania. Under the new system a faster service will be possible, as there is to be no repeating at Flinders and Georgetown, as at present. Now, when a cable is sent from Melbourne to Launceston, it has to be sent to an operator at Flinders, who writes it out and hands it over to another man, who repeats it on to Georgetown, where the same thing has to be done before it can be sent over the final stage to Launceston. The new cables will be worked direct from Melbourne to Launceston.

WEATHER BULLETINS.

BY WIRELESS MESSAGES.

Some time ago the Minister for Home Affairs asked that arrangements should be made by which the men-of-war of the Australian Squadron should, when practicable, get into touch with any of the Australian ports for the purpose of conveying weather information. The first of the series of these communications has been received from H.M.S. Pyramus, off Jervis Bay. The messages were received at 4 p.m. Saturday, 8.55 p.m. Saturday, and 1.10 a.m. Sunday, conveying information as to barometer, dry and wet bulb readings, and conditions of sea and wind.

NATURALISED CHINESE.

REVISED FIGURES.

Some corrections were announced by the Minister for External Affairs, Mr. Batchelor, in connection with the recently-published table showing the number of Chinese admitted and rejected on naturalisation papers during the last five years. For New South Wales the number was previously given as 172 admitted. A revision of the figures shows that 176 entered the State, and none were rejected. The Queensland admissions should be 34, instead of 32; there was one rejected. The error in the Victorian figures was a substantial one. The number admitted was 512, and was previously given as 335. The mistake was made in connection with the year 1908, when 182 Chinese were admitted, instead of 5 as reported. There was also an error with regard to Victorian rejects. The figures for the period should be 106, instead of 61. In South Australia the total admissions should be 23, instead of 21, and the number of rejects 2. The admissions to Western Australia should be 6, instead of 1. There were no rejects in that State. The number to Tasmania was 56, and not 47 as reported before. Only one applicant was rejected. The revision increases the number admitted on naturalisation papers from 610 to 807.

TREASURY NOTES INCIDENT.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

At the Toowoomba Police Court yesterday Andrew Petersen, on remand, was charged with having forged Treasury notes in his possession, and with having uttered same. He was committed for trial.

THE NAVY.

SHIPBUILDING FACILITIES.

NONE COMPARABLE WITH BRITAIN'S.

NO NEED TO PURCHASE SHIPS.

LONDON, March 25.

Mr. R. M'Kenna, First Lord of the Admiralty, replying to Viscount Helmsley (Unionist) in the House of Commons last night, said that it was not desirable to secure the refusal of battleships building in England. If we wanted more battleships we should build them ourselves. Our superior strength in 1909 and 1910 would be so great that their purchase by another Power could not alarm the Board of Admiralty.

Mr. R. M'Kenna, replying to Mr. J. D. White (Liberal, Dumbartonshire), said that the Clyde yards were capable of building six Dreadnoughts.

Mr. Vickers, of Vickers, Sons, and Maxim, state that the yards of his firm are able to lay down and complete three Dreadnoughts in three years, and there after one would be completed every half-year. The firm is also able to equip artillery for seven Dreadnoughts in three years.

Mr. Vickers adds that the output of armour and armament of no country is comparable with that of England.

"UNDIGNIFIED SCARES."

AVOIDANCE ADVISED.

ENERGY AND FORETHOUGHT WANTED.

LONDON, March 24.

Mr. Haldane, Secretary of State for War, speaking at the National Liberal Club last night, advised an avoidance of undignified scares, but, he added, that present safety did not answer for future safety. Unless we showed more energy and forethought it was impossible to say the future would take care of itself.

Mr. Haldane urged the maintenance of a large supremacy over the naval force of any other country, and to copy the Germans in steadiness and thoroughness.

He concluded with a warm appreciation of "New Zealand's wonderful offer," which, he said, illustrated the spirit of our own flesh and blood across the sea.

AT ALL COST.

The Leeds Chamber of Commerce has urged the necessity of Great Britain maintaining, at all cost, supremacy at sea.

TWO-POWER STANDARD.

URGED IN SOUTH AFRICA.

South African newspapers mostly urge a continuity of naval policy for the maintenance of a two-power standard.

AMERICAN INTERESTS.

The New York "Sun" says that Americans would be acutely involved in any disaster to England, and are not blind to their own interests.

MINIMUM WAGE BOARDS.

AN ENGLISH BILL.

LONDON, March 25.

Mr. Winston Churchill, President of the Board of Trade, introduced a bill in the House of Commons to establish in certain trades boards empowered to fix and enforce minimum standard wages. The bill is applicable to home and factory work.

The trade boards are given full powers of inspection, detection, and punishment.

Labour members enthusiastically support the bill, which goes further than the Sweated Industries Bill of 1908.

PHYSICAL TRAINING IN SCHOOLS.

LORD STRATHCONA'S GIFT.

LONDON, March 25.

The Canadian House of Commons, amid cheers, unanimously accepted a gift by Lord Strathcona, the High Commissioner, of £250,000 for the encouragement of physical and military training in Public schools in Canada.

A sum of £2000 annually will be devoted to this object.

MANCHURIAN ADMINISTRATION.

CHINA'S INVITATION.

LONDON, March 24.

China has invited Japan to refer the disputes as to the administration of Manchuria to the Hague Aritration Tribunal.

SUPPOSED RUSSIAN SPY.

BODY FOUND IN TRUNK.

LONDON, March 24.

The body of a young Russian, who is supposed to have been a traitorous Russian spy, was found in a trunk in a garret of a house in Rome.

Deceased apparently had been poisoned.

ALL-FOR-IRELAND LEAGUE.

NATIONALISTS' OPPOSITION.

LONDON, March 24.

A meeting of Irish Nationalist members of the House of Commons passed a resolution condemning the All-for-Ireland League, as being inimical to the party and the Nationalist cause.

UNIVERSITY BOAT RACE.

FAST TRIAL BY OXFORD.

LONDON, March 24.

The Oxford crew rowed the full course yesterday in 18m 21s—a record.

The Cambridge crew is still a slight favourite.

THE WOOL SALES

BRISK BIDDING.

LONDON, March 24.

At the wool sales this afternoon bidding was brisk, and prices were fully equal to last night's sale.

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At the wool sales yesterday prices realised were:—Christchurch, 9¼d; Borumble, 10¾d; Mileura, 14¼d; Noondon, 11¾d; Gnoolooma, 11¾d; Lansdowne, 12½d; Tuena, 12¾d.

BALKAN WAR CLOUD.

AUSTRIA'S ULTIMATUM WITHHELD.

MINISTER'S WARLIKE SPEECH.

SIR EDWARD GREY STRIVING FOR PEACE.

LONDON, March 25.

The "Fremdenblatt" of Vienna writes: "The Powers wish the threatening conflict between Austria-Hungary and Servia to be momentarily averted. We wish it to be permanently removed. The Servian question requires radical treatment, and must be got out of the world forthwith and forever."

This semi-official comment refers to the exceedingly grave deadlock, which is due to Baron Lexa von Aehrenthal, Austro-Hungarian Minister for Foreign Affairs, objecting to the terms of the formula proposed by Sir Edward Grey, which would enable Servia to satisfy all the substantive demands of Austria and smooth the way to a conference.

It is understood that Sir Edward Grey is preparing fresh proposals. Meanwhile Baron von Aehrenthal withholds what is almost an ultimatum to Servia.

Dr. Wekerle, Premier of Hungary, made a warlike speech in the Chamber of Deputies at Budapest yesterday. He will confer with Baron von Aehrenthal to-day regarding the Note to Servia.

SERVIA CONCILIATORY.

IN THE HANDS OF THE POWERS.

Reuter's correspondent at Belgrade reports that the Government has announced that Servia will unreservedly follow the advice of the Powers.

THE GERMAN NAVY.

A SIGNIFICANT ACTION.

ESTIMATES IN REICHSTAG.

CARRIED WITHOUT DEBATE.

LONDON, March 25.

The German Navy Estimates were reported to the Reichstag for the second reading, and—a course which is without precedent—the second reading was voted without debate.

Socialists postponed the interpellation regarding the pourparlers initiated by Great Britain on a limitation of shipbuilding until Prince Bulow, the Imperial Chancellor, attends and defends his own estimates.

THE HAND OF FRIENDSHIP.

COMPLAINT OF SOCIALISTS.

LONDON, March 24.

Socialist members who spoke after the statement of Herr von Schon, German Minister for Foreign Affairs, which he made before the Budget Committee of the Reichstag yesterday, complained that Germany had palpably refused to take England's hand.

The correspondent of the "Times" says that all parties in the Reichstag, excepting Socialists, insisted there was no question of a reduction in the German naval programme, and adds that it should be plain to England that Germany is determined to complete the construction of the vessels rapidly.

PRECAUTIONS AGAINST SPIES.

The Customs officers have been appointed assistants to the police in Schleswig-Holstein to protect the coasts against spies.

PARIS POSTAL STRIKE.

MEN GAIN VICTORY.

LONDON, March 24.

Details of the Government compromise show that the Paris postal strikers virtually obtained everything asked for, except the dismissal of M. Simyan, Under-Secretary for the Post Office.

LORD CHARLES BERESFORD.

OVATION IN LONDON.

LONDON, March 25.

Admiral Lord Charles Beresford, who has vacated command of the Channel Fleet, was the recipient of tremendous public ovations in Portsmouth and London.

THE KING.

A MEDITERRANEAN CRUISE.

LONDON, March 25.

The King and Queen will embark at Marseilles in the middle of April for a cruise in the Mediterranean.

EGYPTIAN PRESS VIRULENT.

REPRESSIVE LAW REVIVED.

LONDON, March 25.

The Egyptian Government is reviving the Press Law of 1881, as the virulence of a section of the Arabic press involves a danger to public security.

AERIAL NAVIGATION.

BRITISH GOVERNMENT MOVE.

LONDON, March 25.

Mr. Asquith, Prime Minister, replying to a question by Mr. H. C. Lea (Liberal), in the House of Commons, said that the whole question of aerial navigation had for some time been considered by the Defence Committee, and provision would be taken for it in the Estimates.

GENERAL CABLE NEWS.

INFLUENZA IN LONDON.

LONDON, March 25.

There have been 125 deaths in London from influenza during the past week.

B. AND A. TRUST AND LOAN COMPANY.

The British and Australasian Trust and Loan Company, in its annual report, recommends payment of a dividend at the rate of 1s 3d per share, and a bonus of 1s a share. A sum of £3000 is carried to the reserve.

EXHIBITION COMMISSION.

The Royal Commission which the King has appointed to deal with British representation at the forthcoming exhibitions at Brussels, Rome, and Turin includes all the Agents-General for the States.

Sudden weather changes give you "that tired feeling." Take Wolfe's Schnapps; it is the "best" drink.

FARTHEST SOUTH.

THE SCIENTIFIC RESULTS.

WORLD-WIDE TRIBUTES.

EULOGY BY CAPTAIN SCOTT.

LONDON, March 25.

Tributes by scientists to the far-reaching importance of the discoveries made by Lieutenant Shackleton in the Antarctic are world-wide. Mrs. Shackleton is overwhelmed with congratulations.

Captain Scott, R.N., leader of the British National Expedition, in the course of an interview, commends the magnificent journeys and the splendid and bold work of the Shackleton expedition.

TOWARDS THE POLE.

ADVENTURES ON THE ICE.

BLIZZARD-SWEPT PLATEAU.

HARDSHIPS AND SHORT COMMONS.

THRILLING ADVENTURES.

CHRISTCHURCH, Thursday.

The Nimrod, with Lieutenant Shackleton and members of his expedition aboard, arrived at Lyttelton to-day from the Antarctic regions.

"We started," said Lieutenant Shackleton, "from Cape Royds, and on November 3 from Hut Point. We had previously laid out at Hut Point, by man, sledging, and motor car, the main bulk of our equipment, consisting of provisions for 91 days. Those were pemmican, biscuit, cheese, chocolate, plasmon, and small bottles of emergency oxol. We had also four sledges, four ponies, two tents, and four one-man sleeping bags. The tents were made of light Willesden duck, and the whole, including poles, etc., weighed only 30lb. The sledges were 11ft, each sledge weighing 60lb, equipped with straps and box as for carrying oil and instruments. The instruments were theodolite, prismatic compasses, cameras, thermometers, and boiling-point thermometers. Food of four ponies was maize, and a ration called maujoo. A dried ration consisted of carrots, currants, sugar, plasmon, and meat. We would have started before November 3 from Hut Point, but that one of the ponies went lame while crossing the sea ice towards the point.

"We started then from Hut Point on November 3, with the supporting party provisioned for 14 days. They were to go nine days with us, and return in five days, but owing to the soft snow and four days' blizzard I sent them back on November 7. We were then in a maze of crevasses off White Island, about 30 miles south of Hut Point. Joyce, who had been on the Discovery, was in charge of the supporting party. When the supporting party left the weather cleared for half an hour, and we got under weigh, when one of the ponies (which was being led by Lieutenant Adams) suddenly got on to a hidden crack, and went down to the middle with him in soft snow. Wild, who was going astern with the other sledge, saw the danger, and pulled the sledge along, enabling Adams to haul his pony out just where the crack opened into an apparently bottomless cavern. Another three or four feet and we would have lost Adams, pony, and half our provisions. We were going then on an apparently level plain, full of crevasses, radiating in all directions.

When the weather cleared we were able to see where these were. We camped for the day when the weather cleared. In pitching camp the ponies had first to be tethered out, and for that purpose there was a wire made fast on to one sledge. Then another sledge was brought up about 25ft away, and a wire was stretched between the two sledges. The ponies were tethered by the heels to the wire. The reason for this was that if we had an ordinary tether they would bite through it and eat the rope. These Manchurians prefer buckles and leather and each other's tails in preference to good ordinary food. Quan, my pony, was particularly keen on these dainties. They get 10lb of food per day, and if they finished that and seemed to want more we always gave them a bit more. We then pitch our own tents, dig snow, and put it on the snow cloth around the tent. This keeps the tent from blowing away in a blizzard. The harder it blows the more drift gets round, and the more secure the tent. Then come the meals. We made what we called 'hoosh.' That was made with pemmican and an emergency ration of powdered biscuit, and each man got a pannikinful. A pannikin would hold about a pint. All our food was calculated by Dr. Marshall, according to its food value and heat-giving properties. The ration when we started was 32oz of food a day. The sleeping bags were spread, and men got inside them, clothes and all. I never took off my clothes for 126 days.

DAILY ROUTINE.

While we had ponies we marched nine hours a day, from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m., allowing one hour for lunch. It was always 8 or 8.30 p.m. before we got into bed, and we got up at 20 minutes to 5 in the morning. It was daylight, of course, all the while during this period. We were going over wind-swept snow, with wind furrows, for about 15 days. We started in the morning, each man leading a pony, taking turns of over an hour to break the trail. Every hour's work was hard, both on man and horse, especially after the first 15 days, because the horses were sinking right up to their middles in soft snow. We were not working in snowshoes, but wore fur boots, made of the skin of the reindeer, with the fur outside. It was monotonous work travelling. Men would travel about twelve or fifteen feet apart, for fearing of accidents with sledge or ponies."

In answer to further questions, Lieutenant Shackleton explained that the journey did not become particularly interesting until they began to sight new land. That was done about November 22. Then they saw new mountains stretching away to the south, beyond Mount Longstaff, which was separated from these by a broad expanse of plain. "We had different depots," he said. "One depot, A, had been laid out previously, and we reached that on November 15, some days before we sighted the mountains. The depot was a mere spot on a great white plain. The next depot was made in lat. 81deg. 4min. south. That was to pick up on our way back. It was 88 miles from depot A. There we shot the first pony, cut him up, and made a depot of oil, buscuit, and pony meat. We took on about 50lb of pony meat to eke out our provisions. We saw at depot A that to do a big journey, owing to the surface snow being so bad, we must reduce our daily ration of regular food, and supplement it with horse meat. We started using horse meat about November 23. We were using up for ponies 40lb of food per day, and when one was shot the man who had been leading him put on his harness and helped to pull the extra load given to another pony. The sledge that had been emptied, was made into a depot mark, placed end up in the snow with a bamboo rod and a black flag attached. On November 22 we had sighted the new mountains, and were still moving due south. On November 28 we shot another pony."

"Did you shoot them simply for food?" asked the interviewer.

"No; not altogether. We were getting short of food for the ponies, and it was therefore necessary to decrease the number in order that the others might be kept on full rations. We always made a point of keeping the ponies on full rations, so that they never needed the whip. The ponies were doing splendid work, and we treated them as well as possible. The third pony was shot on November 30. By this time the mountains had trended out to the south-east, and as our course was due south we decided to take advantage of any gap to ascend inland. From November 22 to November 30 nothing particular occurred, excepting that we had very thick weather, and the snow was getting softer all the time. Then we made a reconnaissance up a mountain about 3000ft high, leaving a tent and the last pony in camp.

AN EXCITING ADVENTURE.

"From the top of the mountain we saw an apparently smooth glacier rising with a gentle gradient to what was apparently inland ice or a plateau. We at once decided to go up this glacier. We called the mountain Mount Hope, and the entrance between the two mountains the Southern Gateway. The last pony we took with us. We started on December 5 to go up the glacier, our general direction now was between south-west and south-south-west, and at once we saw we were not going to have such an easy time of it, because the apparently smooth glacier was simply honeycombed with crevasses. We managed to get the pony along on December 5 and 6. Of course we could not draw the sledges over the rocks, as that would tear wooden runners. On the 6th we had to unlod the sledges and relay them with a little equipment, one at a time, and on that day we were all day doing 600 yards. That was the slowest travelling. Up to then we had been doing 12 to 15 statute miles per day. On the 7th one section of the party of three men went on ahead with one sledge, whilst Wild, leadink the pony, followed in our wake with the other sledge. We were looking out for crevasses, and altering our course to avoid them. The object was to get a perfectly safe course for the pony. Suddenly we heard a shout during the afternoon from Wild, and on stopping and looking round we saw the sledge tilted, and Wild with his arms and shoulders on the edge of a crevasse. He was sunk to the shoulders right on the edge of a crevasse, and keeping himself up by the arms, and no pony was to be seen. We at once went to his assistance, and found the pony had stepped on the snow lid of a hidden crevass and gone straight down an enormous chasm, snapping the swingle tree, and thus saving both Wild and sledge. There was no sound to be heard down below, and Wild said all he felt was a sudden rush of wind, and then all was over.

"From this time onwards," continued Lieutenant Shackleton, in answer to further questions, "we were crossing crevasses the whole time. The under runners of the sledges suffered severely by the sharp ice tearing the wood. A sledge to travel well on a snow surface such as we had eventually on the plateau ought to be absolutely smooth, because the friction is so great. Ultimately we had only one whole runner, and that was worn on our last sledge, the runner on the other side having worn away almost from the middle, and pulling then became very arduous.

LAST DASH SOUTHWARDS.

We reached 6500ft up (altitude) the glacier about December 19, and there we thought we could see a plateau level ahead of us, so we depoted everything except food to carry us on, necessary instruments for finding our position, and the clothes we stood up in. We left our warm clothes behind, which as it turned out was unfortunate, for the plateau level was not reached until we had ascended to a height of 10,500ft above sea level. From 9000ft upwards we had constant blizzards. The wind from the south was dead in our faces, with the temperature always below zero. Sometimes we had 60deg. of frost. By this time we had reduced our daily ration of food to 20oz per man per day, and in this climate, with the temperatures and winds prevailing, coupled with high altitudes, it was not sufficient to keep the necessary amount of heat in our bodies. All this time we were sighting new mountains. Lieutenant Adams was taking many times daily meteorological observations, and it was in latitude 85.5 south that Wild discovered, on going up a mountain to look at the plateau, seven distinct seams of coal. This was a most interesting discovery as showing the Antarctic regions once had a very different climate.

Dr. Marshall, who had charge of the surveying, had a very cold job. At every camp he was taking theodolite angles, and putting in a great deal of time on this work. He also took all photographs on this journey. On January 4 we decided to risk leaving a depot on the plateau. We had no land then to take a bearing by, and had to trust to Providence to find our depot with the help of guiding poles. These we made by all hands using one tent and dividing the tent poles of the second tent for posts. On these poles we put flags made from provision bags. Thus lightened we pushed rapidly south till, on January 7, we had reached latitude 88.5 south. A constant blizzard from south-south-east developed then into one of extreme violence, the wind travelling at 70 miles an hour. The temperature was down to 72deg. of frost. This continued for 60 hours, and many times we had to take our feet out of the sleeping bags to have them restored to feeling, after being frost-bitten. We were very cramped in one little tent, four of us being in a tent made to accommodate three. By this time our food was getting very low, and when the blizzard was over we realised it would be impossible for us to continue sledging further south, both from lack of food and our diminished strength. Our body temperatures showed only 93 deg. We therefore decided to leave camp, and make a forced march to the south, taking food with us, and in 88 deg. 23 min. we hoisted the Union Jack which her Majesty had given us in England. Before leaving on our return journey we picked up our outward sledge tracks, and this was fortunate because the blizzard had blown away the flags from the poles.

BACK TO HEAD-QUARTERS.

After that with sail up on sledge (a sail being improvised out of some floorcloths of the tent), we did marches daily, assisted by the wind, of distances ranging from 20 to 29 miles a day, crossing crevasses at full speed. We reached the Upper glacier depot on January 19. Travelling down the glacier was not such an easy job as we had expected. We had only left four days' food to carry us to the depot at the foot of the glacier, but owing to bad crevasses, rendered worse by snow, which covered them lower down, our travelling was very slow. On the morning of January 26 we had finished all our food, our last meal consisting of boiled pony maize. Seeing the absolute necessity of reaching the depot, we tried to make forced marches, but, through deep snow and amongst crevasses, we only succeeded, by 2 a.m. on the morning of the 27th, in covering 16 miles in 22 hours' hauling. We eventually reached within a mile of our depot on the afternoon of 27th, and whilst some of us pitched camp, Dr. Marshall went on and got some food, consisting of horse-meat and biscuits, from the depot. Lieutenant Adams fell half an hour before we came to camp in his harness, but directly he had recovered a little he went on again pulling. After leaving the depot we got soon on to the ice barrier again, and reached Gresi Depot on February 3. Wild during this time was suffering from dysentery, due to something being wrong with the horse-meat. After leaving Gresi Depot the whole party was similarly affected, and for one whole day we were unable to leave camp at all. Helped by a strong southerly wind we eventually reached Chinaman Depot, with no food remaining. At Chinaman Depot we loaded horse-meat, and digging down in the snow found the frozen blood of a horse. This we added to our stock of food, the daily ration now consisting of (for a whole day) one pannikin of half-cooked horse meat, with blood, and four biscuits, two pannikins of tea, and a half-spoonful of cocoa in warm water for each man. We reached depot "A" with no food left. We reached Bluff depot, helped by a strong southerly wind, on February 3. This depot was made by Joyce in January, and here, for the second time since the middle of November, we had a square meal. The other time was on Christmas Day, on plateau, when we had a full feed, consisting of pemmican, pony ration, emergency oxol, and a small plum pudding, weighing about half a pound. We boiled the plum pudding in cocoa-water, to save oil.

Leaving Bluff depot, we made a forced march on the second day of 24 miles, as Dr. Marshall had a relapse of dysentery, and we were very anxious to get to the ship as early as possible. Though he was suffering much we kept him going in his harness all that day. On the 27th in the afternoon he was too ill to proceed, but, though he wished to go on, I decided to leave him in camp with Lieut. Adams in charge, whilst Wild and I pushed on to the ship for relief. We reached Hut Point in a blizzard on the night of February 28. On the morning of 1st March I heliographed the ship, which had been lying at shelter at Glacier Tongue. At 3 o'clock the same afternoon, with a relief party of three men, we started back to pick up the rest of the party. We found Dr. Marshall much better, and eventually all arrived at Hut Point late on March 3.

JUST IN TIME.

We burnt a flare to the ship which picked us up early on the 4th. During the morning we sailed north, and only just in time, for we were two days pushing through heavy new pancake ice. We tried to push to the westward beyond Cape North, but were held up by heavy old pack ice, but not before we had found 45 miles of new coast mountains, ranging from 5000 to 7000 feet in height. After a boisterous passage we arrived at Half-moon Bay on March 23.

In answer to a question regarding the expedition that resulted in attaining the magnetic pole Lieutenant Shackleton said that this had been a very important part of the work, and was a most difficult one for those who engaged in it." This party did 800 miles of relay work over the sea ice. They hauled one sledge for a certain distance, then returned and hauled up the other sledge, and they did this from the 5th October to December 15, and under the relay system every mile of ground had of course to be covered three times. The surface of the sea ice was very sticky with salt, and made sledge travelling exceedingly laborious. The party to eke out provisions lived on seal and penguin meat. One of them, tasting seal oil in a blubber lamp, pronounced it excellent, and from that time on seal blubber was always part of the menu. The party was entirely unsupported by ponies, and their provisions were much the same as ours, excepting that they had dried milk instead of Plasmon. The equipment was similar to ours."

"Could you say a word as to the importance of the attainment of the pole?"

"Mr. Mawson with the Lloyd creak dip circle absolutely fixed the position of the south magnetic pole which is a matter of great interest to science, and helps the forwarding of that branch of knowledge. It is a matter of great importance in all magnetic survey work. This party arrived at a point on the sea coast on a glacier 180 miles from winter quarters, with practically no provisions except a few biscuits. On arrival there they obtained seals and penguins. I had left instructions at winter quarters that if they had not returned there by February 1 the ship was to search the coast for them. This seems a fairly simple thing to do, but one must realise that it was practically an unknown coast, with heavy pack ice extending out from it, and Captain Evans had a most tyring job manoeuvring in blizzards and through the pack, whilst going up that coast to search for a black flag only about 2ft wide. He went as far as Cape Washington, and then keeping in shore again on the way south, searching every inlet and nook he arrived at the spot where the northern party had come to camp only 16 hours earlier. He sighted the tent, fired a double-detonator, and the three men came rushing out. Mr. Mawson immediately fell down a crevasse, and was held up on a snow abutment 20 feet below, and was pulled out by the party from the ship, so that in a moment the gloomy prospect in front of them was changed and they were in comfort."

"Previously to picking up the northern party," continued Lieutenant Shackleton, in answer to further questions, "as the Nimrod was steaming across M'Murdoe Sound on January 24 a heliograph was observed flashing on the western shore. Pushing through broken pack-ice, Captain Evans picked up the western party, consisting of Mr. Armytage, Sir Philip Brocklehurst, and Mr. Priestley. This party had been exploring and doing geological work in the west. On the 22nd they were camped off Butter Point on apparently fast ice. Waking up on the morning of the 23rd they found the ice had broken up in the night, and they were drifting north on the floe. Fortunately the current set south that night, and at midnight one corner of the floe touched the land ice, and in three minutes they had all their equipment across into safety, and immediately after the floe went north to the open sea for good. Next day they observed the ship in the distance, 14 miles off, and heliographed to her. When the ship first arrived in M'Murdoe Sound, on January 5, Captain Evans despatched a party of four men, with Mr. M'Intosh in charge, to convey mails to Cape Royds, over apparently fast ice. The same night two of the men returned to the ship, and continuing the next day Mr. M'Intosh found the ice breaking. By jumping from floe to floe they just managed to reach land with the mail bags in safety. After remaining nearly a week by Mount Bird they decided to push overland across the mountain to Cape Royds, 25 miles distant. They got into very much crevassed country, and Mr. M'Gillan went down a crevasse, being hauled out by Mr. M'Intosh, who improvised a rope out of a belt and a bit of line. All equipment was lost in this crevasse, except the camera and a stick of chocolate. However, they pushed on glissading down ice slopes amongst crevasses, and eventually reaching, in a blizzard the following day, the vicinity of Cape Royds, where they were found greatly exhausted by Mr. Day, who happened to have left the hut. At the time they were not aware that they were so close to the hut and were walking round and round in a circle, trying to keep warm.

Captain Evans, with the Nimrod, had arrived at Cape Royds on March 6, and hearing that Mr. M'Intosh was not there left at once in search. The Nimrod was caught in the pack, and subjected to severe pressures for ten days. Eventually she was extricated, and returned to Cape Royds.

RESULTS OF EXPEDITION.

IMPORTANT SCIENTIFIC DISCOVERIES.

METEOROLOGICAL OBSERVATIONS.

Asked regarding the general results of the expedition, Lieutenant Shackleton said:—"The geology of the country had naturally been well looked after, as we had three geologists on board—Professor David, F.R.S., and Messrs. Douglas Mawson, B.E., and B. Sc., and Mr. Raymond Priestley. Very good collections were made, but at the present moment we cannot say the full value of the various finds, because they have to be examined microscopically.

"In the biological department there is a distinct new feature in the finding of microscopic animals in the lakes. Mr. Murray, the biologist, is an authority on this particular branch. One peculiar thing about the rotifers is that, instead of laying eggs, as they do in temperate climates, they bring forth their young alive, and they can exist in the very lowest temperatures, and even in ice, and yet water of 200 deg. heat will not kill them. Professor David considers that the meteorological records and information gained are the most important features of scientific work, and will be especially important to New Zealand and Australia, as the upper currents of the atmosphere have an effect on the Australasian weather.

"Observations of the steam-cloud on Mount Erebus have been of great importance in determining the direction of the movement of upper currents of atmosphere. All other physical and scientific branches have been carefully worked at. It is interesting to note that New Zealand and Australian magneticians predicted good auroral displays in the south, and we had exceptionally brilliant aurorae; in fact, we have photographs taken with the ordinary camera which show distinctly the auroral light.

"As regards zoology, Mr. Joyce looked particularly after this branch, and we have a good collection of penguins, seals, etc. The various museums in Australasia will be given specimens of fauna, and geological collections, also marine animals.

"As far as exploration is concerned, the expedition has been eminently successful. No one, of course, is ever satisfied with his work, but certainly, as adding something to our knowledge of the far south, the expedition has been successful. It has drawn back the veil a little more from the four million square miles that has been hidden from man up to the present. There is one thing we are certain of, that the geographical South Pole is situated on a high plateau, which experiences the coldest and stormiest weather in the world; where, in the height of summer it is possible to get 70 degrees of frost and one can realise a little from this what the weather must be like in winter."

In answer to a question regarding the work of the staff, Lieutenant Shackleton said that everybody got on splendidly together. Everyone not only was interested in their own department, but was ready to help other departments when need arose. Men who had gone down there to engage in a particular branch of science were quite willing to give a hand wherever is was wanted.

"Yes, it is always possible to do everything in this world," said Lieutenant Shackleton, "even to reach the South Pole. We gained a great deal naturally from the Discovery's expedition, and the next man will gain much from this expedition. There remain 97 miles to be done, and one thing is certain that food must be increased if the party is to do the distance, because on the plateau such as that, with intense cold, our food was not sufficient.

SCIENTISTS' EXPERIENCES.

PROFESSOR DAVID'S STORY.

STARTS FOR SYDNEY.

CHRISTCHURCH, Thursday.

On account of his personality alone, Professor David, of the Sydney University, is an interesting member of the expedition. He spent only a few days in New Zealand before the Nimrod took him down to the Antarctic on New Year's Day, 1908. But he was in this city long enough to become well known to the people, and his face was one of the first that was looked for when the launch that went out to meet the Nimrod at Lyttelton Heads drew near to the incoming vessel. There was a group of men on the deck, and soon the faces [illegible] distinguished. Loud greetings were shouted across the water.

"WHERE'S DAVID?"

Amongst that group Professor David could not be seen, and the master on board, demanded through a speaking trumpet: "Where is David?" "He is down below attending to his toilet," was the reply. The response to this was a general chorus: "We want David." Shortly afterwards a clean-shaven, bare-headed man, wearing a blue jersey and coarse trousers, came up, stood smiling for a few seconds in view of the crowd, and retired behind the other members of the group when he heard the cheers that greeted him.

HEALTH "TIPTOP."

It was a courageous undertaking for a man over 50 years of age to join a polar expedition, and his action appealed strongly to the people here. Some views, indeed, were expressed that it would go rather hard with him amongst the ice and snow. Apparently it has agreed with him splendidly. It seems to have made him 20 years younger. He looks like a man of 35. He is heavier than he has ever been before. His face has the glow of good health, and he is in the pink of condition. When the launch touched sides with the Nimrod a large number of New Zealand scientists representing the scientific societies here scrambled on board, and gave him a hearty handshake; and to all their inquiries regarding his health he gave the same reply, "Tiptop." Other members of the expedition say that he did splendid work all through the 15 months the expedition has been away, especially on the trying sledge journeys over the ice. They also spoke very highly of his social qualities, which often helped to while away the tediousness of the long days and nights.

When I first asked him for an interview on board the Nimrod he shook his head, and said he was busy packing, and had not a minute to spare. The cause of haste was shown when he announced he intended to leave this evening for Sydney. He was as good as his word. As soon as the Nimrod came alongside the wharf at Lyttelton he transhipped to the Maori, and in half an hour was on his way to Wellington to catch the Maheno for Sydney. In spite of his protestations, he was able to supply me with some interesting details of the work he had done in the Antarctic. I asked him if his investigations had added to the world's knowledge of the origin of the great ice barrier.

THE BARRIER FORMED.

"Yes," he said. "We have distinctly done some work in that direction, and there can be very little doubt now that the great ice barrier was formed partly by glacier ice and partly by snow. This view of its origin is rendered highly probable by the discovery by Lieutenant Shackleton and his southern party of the vast glacier 50 miles wide and 120 miles long descending from an elevated inland plateau for 10,000ft above the sea level. This great glacier is probably one of many that feed the great ice barrier. The glacier, in its turn, is fed from the snows near the South Pole. By its forward movement it presses on the surface of the barrier for fully 20 miles from its inland edge, into a series of long pressure ridges like a series of large waves in the ocean. Important evidence was obtained in the depot-laying party. As to the actual seaward movement of the barrier caused by the pressure of the inland glacier ice further south, it was found that the depot A established near Minna Bluff on the southern journey of the Discovery expedition travelled two geographical miles to east-north-east in a period of six years two months. It was also proved that in the same period 8 feet 2 inches of snow had fallen at the present site of depot A. This may be considered a good average estimate of the snowfall for the barrier in that latitude. It is obvious, therefore, that as the head of the barrier is approximately 300 or 400 miles south of its eastward front, there is time for the thickness of many hundred feet of snow to accumulate on the surface of the slightly moving glacier ice before it traverses the distance I have named in order to reach the sea front, from which icebergs are from time to time broken off.

"Observations made by Captain Evans, of the Nimrod, in sounding around typical icebergs, show that the icebergs most typical and common in the Antarctic are probably not icebergs at all, but snowbergs. Close to our winter quarters, for example, a large tubular berg grounded in 13 fathoms of water. It projected about 50 feet above the sea, and there was therefore about an equal quantity below and above water. This shows that probably most of the bergs launched from the great ice barrier are in their upper parts at any rate, if not throughout, formed of snow rather than glacier ice. The glacier ice attached to the snow has probably been dissolved in the seawater on which the barrier floats—perhaps for many scores of miles before the barrier's northern limit is reached.

IMPORTANT DISCOVERY.

"One of the most important geographical results is proof that the Antarctic region from Ross Sea to the South Pole is a great continental area in the nature of a high plateau. Its extremity near Cape North is from 6000 to 7000 feet above the sea, 7000 feet near the magnetic pole, 8000 feet where it was traversed by Captain Scott, of the Discovery expedition, and about 10,500 feet, the furthest point reached by Lieutenant Shackleton and his party, namely, 88 deg. 23 min. south. This plateau almost certainly continues across the South Pole for some distance, and probably extends onwards in the direction of South America towards Coates Land, discovered by Bruce, who went on the Scottish expedition in the Scotia. The discovery of coal measures and thick masses of limestone as far south as 85 deg. is extremely interesting, as showing the former mild climate close to the South Pole, as both limestone and coal accumulate only under the conditions of a mild climate. This coal measure and sandstone formation extends in an almost unbroken sheet from 85 deg. south to Mount Nansen, near the magnetic pole, a distance of over 1100 miles. And under the coal and sandstone formation there is a widely-spread foundation of very old rocks of granite, gneiss, schists, and coarsley crystalline marbles; and mineral marazite, from which thorium is commercially extracted for incandescent gas mantles, is so common in places that it is one of the local rocks forming the minerals. It is in fact like black mica in granite. This mineral was discovered by Mr. Mawson in several places along the coast on the western side of Ross Sea, in an old foundation series of granites and schists.

WEATHER CONDITIONS COMPARED.

Continuing, Professor David said that the meteorological work had been very interesting and successful, and no doubt would be useful both to Australia and New Zealand. He hoped that the whole of the information would be placed at the disposal of the Commonwealth at once. The Dominion proposed to work out the results in this part of the world, so that meteorologists here could compare the conditions in the Antarctic during the past 15 months with local conditions, and ascertain what effect Antarctic blizzards had on Australian and New Zealand weathers. A complete series of observations were taken simultaneously at Cape Royds by the farthest south party, and by the men on the vessel at Cape Royds. The currents of air could be traced by means of the heat and volumes of smoke which arose from Mount Erebus.

ANIMAL LIFE.

"Mr. Murray's observations of microscopical animal life," Professor David said, "are specially interesting. He found that the rotifera had probably been frozen in the solid ice for many years. Soon after being brought out they sprang back into life at once, and began to feel. He had obtained good miscroscopical specimens, probably frozen three years, in temperatures of from 50 to 60 deg. below zero."

PENGUINS.

Professor David was asked to explain a reference in the "Daily Mail's" message to the discovery by Mr. Murray of a winged penguin. Up to the present time only two species of penguins are recorded from that part of Antarctica visited by the Nimrod expedition, a large species known as Emperor, and a small species, Adeliae. The London message seemed to show that another species unknown to science had been discovered. Professor David said the explanation was very interesting. Only one specimen of a new penguin had been found, and it was recognised as belonging to a species commonly called winged penguin, which had been reported from Graham's Land, on the other side of the Antarctic continent south of South America. He presumed the bird, which was found at Cape Royds amongst a number of Adeliae penguins, had wandered all the way from its original home, probably coming most of the way by sea. An interesting specimen was secured, and the skin brought to New Zealand.

TO THE MAGNETIC POLE.

FOUR MONTHS' SLEDGING.

THE VIRTUES OF SEAL MEAT

ALMOST GIVEN UP.

CHRISTCHURCH, Thursday.

Dr. MacKay, who accompanied Professor David and Mr. Mawson on the northern journey, gave the following interesting account of the manner in which the south magnetic pole was located:—"We started on October 5, 1908, with half a ton of provisions on two sledges. The sledges were conveyed about 12 miles by motor car, which could not go further on account of the rough pack ice. All the rest of the way we had to pull the sledges ourselves. When about 87 miles out we decided to go on half rations, supplemented by seal meat. Mr. Mawson constructed a blubber lamp to cook seal meat, and we got on very well. The journey continued with very little varying the monotony of hard pulling until we got to Drygalski glacier. This glacier is very interesting, but here we got our first positive setback. The surface was like a range of sandhills, which it was quite impossible for the sledges to go over. We then coasted along the south side of the glacier, and after doing so for three days crossed it. We were instructed by Lieutenant Shackleton to establish a depot at a place marked on Captain Scott's chart as low sloping shores. We spent three days looking for country of this description, but failed to find it. Ultimately we selected what we considered the most likely spot, where we established a depot, and left letters. We killed seals and took about 50lb of seal meat inland with us to supplement our rations. We started inland with one of the sledges, and managed to cover ten miles a day. Then we came to a glacier we called Nansen glacier. Here we found the going very bad. The weather was very foggy, and there were crevasses covered with a thin lid of soft snow. We had some bad falls. We then got on to the plateau off Nansen glacier. Here we celebrated Christmas Day, and as a present Dr. David gave me senna grass to smoke, instead of tobacco. Ultimately, we reached the region where, according to Capt. Scott's chart, the magnetic pole was situated. This is an area of about 30 miles wide. According to the discoveries of magnetic reports, we found the pole had moved in a north-westerly direction, but the distance we were not able to determine with absolute accuracy. We had to further reduce our rations, and go a distance which took us two days to cover. This left us no rations. We went on until we got a dipping circle of 89deg. 7 min., and the compass was not acting. Then we hoisted the Union Jack, gave three cheers for the King, and started back. The flag was hoisted on a bamboo pole, originally used for a sail on a sledge. This return journey was done at the rate of about 15 miles a day. There was very bad weather during the last week. A continuous blizzard was blowing, with a temperature down to 20deg. below zero. We were very hungry and very cold. At length we reached the depot at the Drygalski glacier, where the ship was to look for us on February 1. If the ship hadn't turned up, it would have been a bad lookout for us. We got in sight of the depot about February 1, and spent a very anxious time. On the 5th, when enjoying our first good meal of seal meat, we suddenly heard a loud report. 'That is a gun from the ship,' said Professor David. We all ran down and saw the ship before us. We had been four months on the journey, a record long sledging journey for the Antarctic. Another noteworthy fact was that the sledges were all pulled by members of the party. No dogs were used. It was seal meat which enabled us to do it."

Another member said: "The northern party, consisting of Professor David, Dr. Mackay, and Mr. Mawson, were given up as hopelessly lost by the ship, as they were long overdue. The ship searched 300 miles of coast-line, and eventually picked up the party in a little inlet at Drygalski glacier. They had had a very rough time. It was the biggest piece of luck in the world we managed to find them. They were due back in January, and it was then February 4."

DR. MARSHALL'S STORY.

CAUGHT IN A BLIZZARD.

ALL PROVISIONS LOST.

CHRISTCHURCH, Thursday.

Dr. Marshall, medical officer and kinematographer, said the provisioning was excellent. The 10 sheep from New Zealand lasted till the southern party started. The members of that party suffered badly from dysentery through eating pony meat. At times they were reduced to pemicam meat and three to four biscuits daily. Plasmon biscuits and cocoa were of tremendous value. Owing to the short rations the men's temperatures decreased to less than 94 degrees. Fully 4000ft of kinematograph film were taken, including sledging scenes, penguin life, and the motor-car running with the sledges on the ice.

Dr. Marshall was one of the party which ascended Mount Erebus. The journey extended over seven days. The temperature was not very low on the summit, where the lowest was 13 degs. below zero. The party had tent covers, but no ground cloths, and had to camp out and cook food in the open during a blizzard. Sir Philip Brocklehurst, Lieutenant Adams, and Dr. Marshall shared with the three men a bag tent. The cover was blown away, and the rest of the time was spent in the open. Sir Philip Brocklehurst was frostbitten, and one toe had to be amputated.

As one of the southern party, Dr. Marshall had an interesting story to tell. A start was made from Hut Point, the Discovery's headquarters. The Discovery's hut was practically as good as ever. Any skeletons or skins left by Captain Scott's expedition were picked clean by skua gulls. Four Manchurian ponies used on the southern journey were the sole survivors of the original ten. The survivors were either greys or whites, and apparently hardier than browns. The ponies did wonderfully well. The greatest distance travelled in one day was 18 miles. The daily ration was 8lb of maize and maugee rations, a condensed food. The last-mentioned was excellent food, and the men lived on it for some time. When the ponies were killed they were in good condition, and provided food.

Dr. Marshall is of opinion that there is no chance of reaching the Pole by way of the barrier. Undoubtedly the pole is situated on the plateau glacier over 100 miles long, and crevassed almost the whole length.

THE VISITS OF THE KING.

VALUE IN FOREIGN POLICY.

SIR EDWARD GREY'S TRIBUTE.

LONDON, March 25.

Sir Edward Grey, Secretary of State for Foreign Affairs, speaking in Committee of Supply of the House of Commons last night on the vote on account, replied to a criticism by Mr. J. G. S. MacNeill (Nationalist) on the Foreign Secretary not accompanying the King on his visit to the Czar at Reval.

Sir Edward Grey said that no sovereign adhered more closely or more consistently to constitutional practice than the King. His Majesty's visit abroad had been especially valuable, because of his personal gift in conveying to the Government and people of the country visited the impression of Great Britain's goodwill.

It was a great national asset, Sir Edward Grey said, that the Sovereign should have contributed so much to the smooth relations between ourselves and neighbouring countries.

MR. KIDMAN'S PROPERTIES.

GREAT COMPANY FORMING.

LONDON, March 25.

A company, known as Bovril Australian Estates, Limited, is being formed to acquire properties owned by Mr. Sydney Kidman (the cattle king) and other properties.

TICKS AT KYOGLE.

DISTRICT QUARANTINED.

Our Murwillumbah correspondent wired last night that cattle ticks have been discovered amongst cattle at Kyogle.

It was stated by the stock inspector, Mr. Ellis, that the outbreak occurred at Beantree, seven miles from Kyogle.

The Minister for Agriculture, Mr. Perry, said last evening that the district for about 10 miles around Kyogle had been quarantined, and the chief inspector of stock had been instructed to go to Kyogle and make inquiries. Mr. Stewart will leave Sydney to-day.

INSANITARY RAILWAY CARS.

ANALOGUE OF THE G.P.O.

PROTEST FROM THE COUNTRY.

BARRABA, Thursday.

The disgraceful sanitary conditions of the lavatory railway carriages on the Tamworth-Barraba railway have recently been the subject of much dissatisfaction among passengers. The state of one carriage was this morning reported to a departmental inspector who happened to be travelling on the train, and he had the car cleaned at Attunga. The carriages are frequently without water, and their condition is often a menace to the health of the travelling public.

A CHARGE OF MURDER.

RESULT OF AN INQUEST.

PERTH (W.A.), Thursday.

At Meekatharra yesterday the inquest in connection with the death of Catherine Jane Cane was concluded. The evidence showed that deceased had been stabbed. The jury returned a verdict that deceased had been murdered by Donald Alex. Campbell Scott, with whom she had been living. Scott was ordered to stand his trial on a capital charge in Perth.

THE DREADNOUGHTS.

NEW ZEALAND'S OFFER.

ACCEPTED BY BRITAIN.

LONDON, March 24.

The Prime Minister, Mr. Asquith, announced in the House of Commons this afternoon that his Majesty's Government had accepted the offer of New Zealand to defray the cost of building a Dreadnought.

The Earl of Crewe, Secretary of State for the Colonies, has cabled an important despatch to Lord Plunkett, Governor of New Zealand.

The "Times" is sincerely glad at the acceptance of the patriotic offer being made in the same spirit as that which prompted it. The message accepting the offer will be read in New Zealand as expressing the appreciation and gratitude felt in every English street and lane.

The "Times" adds there is no reason why a battleship should not be laid down as soon as arrangements can be made.

THANKS OF PARLIAMENT.

ALL PARTIES PARTICIPATE.

A movement is on foot to send Sir Joseph Ward a memorial signed by members of all parties conveying the thanks of Parliament for the offer of a battleship.

CANADA STIRRED.

CONSIDERING A CONTRIBUTION.

LONDON, March 25.

Canada is becoming growingly stirred by the example of Australia and New Zealand, and Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the Prime Minister, is considering the question of offering a contribution to the navy.

DIFFICULTIES SEEN.

BY SIR ALBERT GOULD.

Sir Albert Gould, President of the Federal Senate, in the course of an interview regarding the proposed offer of a Dreadnought, said that Australia was willing to do all in her power if necessity commanded, but, firstly, Australians would object to anything in the nature of a compulsory levy; secondly, some were inclined to confuse subsidy with tribute; thirdly, the Commonwealth had not great financial resources owing to the fact that £8,000,000 of the Customs revenue had to be returned to the States.

LEAD TO MOTHER COUNTRY.

EXAMPLE TO WEALTHY MEN.

Earl Carrington, President of the Board of Agriculture, speaking at the National Liberal Club yesterday, said that New Zealand and three residents of New South Wales had given a glorious lead. If national sacrifices were required let wealthy men set the example.

All this was in contrast, Earl Carrington said, with the pitiful attitude of the panic-stricken Opposition.

TOWN HALL MEETING.

WILD ENTHUSIASM.

AUDIENCE DISCRIMINATING.

"A CHALLENGE TO BRITISH BROTHERHOOD."

COLD WATER FROM THE PREMIER.

Between three and four thousand citizens of Sydney met in the basement of the Town Hall last night, and amidst great enthusiasm resolved:—

First, that Australia should normally give further support to the Navy.

Secondly, that in this crisis Australia should give a Dreadnought to the Navy.

Thirdly, that a committee should be formed to forward these resolutions and receive funds.

With Mr. Reid, K.C., Mr. O'Sullivan, M.L.A., and Mr. Oakes, M.L.A., among the speakers, the speeches were a known quantity before the meeting opened. The unknown quantity was the temper of the audience. It was not unknown long.

If there was any suspicion in the minds of sceptics that this audience might be insincere, the peculiar way in which it passed over the points that did not appeal to it, and picked out the ones that did with crash upon crash of applause, made the mind of the people as clear as daylight. This extraordinarily candid discrimination was far the most noticeable thing about the meeting. By simply picking out the remarks that brought these spontaneous gusts of applause from the hall, one could follow the line of thought of the audience as the lines of an open book.

The Lord Mayor, who was in the chair, suggested in his speech that the way to raise funds would be for the Commonwealth to issue bonds to be bought up by the people; and to redeem them at its convenience. The suggestion fell absolutely flat. There was a lonely "hear, hear," or two about the hall, and a strong hum of dissent. But when Mr. A. A. Dangar, who the other day offered £10,000, said that it was a case for every man, woman, and child to give what they felt they could afford, they cheered him again and again. "I believe we will give a Dreadnought. (Cheers.) Let it be by a subscription, and if that fails short, then by bonds." (Cheers.) Nobody in the house could be uncertain for a moment whether it was in favour of a subscription or a loan.

In this emphatic and obvious way the audience settled every point, even when the speakers seemed to differ. For example, Mr. Reid's statement that it was fitting that in time Australia should look after local defence of her coasts, was assented to readily enough. But whenever the gift of a Dreadnought was mentioned, the house fairly leapt to it with cheers. It welcomed first an increased contribution. But nobody there could doubt that its heart lay in the offer of a Dreadnought.

In the same distinct manner the house told the speakers why. When the casual sentence was spoken, "We believe this a critical time in the history of the motherland," the audience unexpectedly fastened on it and cheered.

And the climax of the meeting was easily recognisable. It was in Mr. Reid's speech, and the audience rose, waved its hats and handkerchiefs, and cheered and cheered and cheered again. It did that because Mr. Reid happened to hit on just the thing that every man in the place felt he had been wanting to say. What Mr. Reid said was that in these anxious days for Great Britain, what was wanted more than hard-headed proposals for local defence or annual payments was "the flashing of a message that Australia will be represented among the battleships of Great Britain."

The speakers differed a little. But the audience acted as if it had had the mind of one man. Mr. O'Sullivan, M.L.A., whose whole heart and soul went with the Empire, was a trifle warlike. The audience laughed very fondly and good-humouredly. Mr. Dangar, to whom the Lord Mayor held up a warning finger, seemed anxious to press home a motion against the building of Australian torpedo boats. The audience, which had received his speech with real enthusiasm, again laughed good-naturedly. Mr. Oakes, M.L.A., they received excellently. But where

the house and the speakers differed, the grasp of the subject seemed to be with the house.

There were some interruptions at the beginning. One interrupter was obviously not himself, and another appeared to be passed out for distributing a pamphlet of predictions that there would be no more war, and crowned heads "would break through the circular chain of the Devil." The police found some difficulty in tracking interrupters. But excited members of the audience would stand up, and point sticks at them. One man threw his hat at an offender. "That's him!" he said. After a few ejections the meeting quietened until the playing of "God save the King." Then someone stood with his hat on.

"Take it off!" said a man behind.

The man with the hat squared up, and was hit like lightning on the cheek, so that it bled. There followed something like a dog fight, till the police took the men clear. But a good part of the big audience in front was quite unaware of it. It was winding up a meeting.

"Rule Britannia," which the audience sang at the beginning of the meeting, was sung three or four times before the end of it. And the speeches were punctuated by telegrams, read out by the chairman's order, from the great meeting in Melbourne, from Perth, and from Blayney (which had raised £100). All these were received with volleys of cheering. The audience frequently rose, waving its hats and handkerchiefs. Mr. Reid several times brought down the house by a retort. But it was one from Mr. O'Sullivan that they took most heartily. "Have you forgotten the democratic art?" said an interjector. "No. Thank God, I can be democratic and at the same time imperial," was the answer. It seemed to sum up the speaker's faith, and the house caught it tumultuously.

Amongst those on the platform were the Lord Moyar (Alderman Taylor), chairman, Mrs. Allen Taylor, Mr. Russell French, Alderman T. H. Kelly, Mr. Nesbitt, Colonel Onslow, Mr. David Storey, M.L.A., Mr. Meeks, M.L.C., Sir Fredk. Shaw, Mrs. G. S. Littlejohn, Mr. John Holmes (New Zealand), Mr. Broughton, M.L.A., and Senator Pulsford.

THE MEETING.

MR. WADE'S MESSAGE.

"DREADNOUGHT IDEA INAPPROPRIATE."

The town clerk (Mr. Nesbitt) announced that he had received a number of telegrams. The Premier (Mr. Wade) wired:—

"I am of opinion that action should come, in the first instance, from the Commonwealth; but promptness is essential to securing the desired moral effect. As Mr. Fisher is doing nothing, I consider the citizens are quite entitled to move. I think, however, the Dreadnought proposal is inappropriate, because, firstly, there is no immediate danger; secondly, that England does not need the money; thirdly, because such a course is spasmodic, and less permanent in results. I urge that we ask the Commonwealth to increase the naval subsidy, and renew the naval agreement. Herein would be proof of Australia standing by England in a permanent manner. An increase of the subsidy from a quarter of a million to half a million would represent the interest on several Dreadnoughts. Am wiring Victorian Premier to same effect."

Mr. Bruce Smith, M.P., also wrote, regretting his inability to be present. He said he was heart and soul with the splendid cause for which the meeting was called. He sincerely hoped that the Sydney citizens would set an example to Australia, as New Zealand had already done to the Empire.

Other communications were read felicitating the meeting on the object aimed at.

THE LORD MAYOR.

The Lord Mayor (Alderman Allen Taylor) said he presided because he believed that the best statesmen of the old country were alive to some imminent dangers in the present position with regard to its naval defence, and it behoved all loyal children of the Empire to share their anxiety, and help them to remove the cause. Australia had in the past very incompletely recognised its duty in the matter of sharing the heavy responsibility of the old country with regard to defence. It had borne much less than its fair share of the Imperial burden. It was bound by every consideration of filial gratitude and affection to demonstrate to the world that the children of the motherland still retained their filial affection, and cheerfully and promptly recognised her claim on their active support. If Australia believed this was a critical time in the history of the motherland, then it should act promptly in assuring her of her active support, and thereby warning any possible enemy that the lion had some strong and healthy cubs in distant parts of the Empire.

OUR DEPENDENCE ON BRITAIN.

It was idle to argue, as a small section did, that if Australia defended its own shores and harbours it had done enough, for it was generally recognised at the present time that the battle which would decide its fate for weal or woe would be fought in some part of the world. If Australia could imagine the British fleet losing its sovereignty of the ocean it could at once recognise what an easy prey this continent would be to the victorious forces that had been able to shake the proud supremacy of Britannia's naval power. (Applause.) If the best way to secure peace was to be prepared for war, perhaps the most effective way of securing the world's peace was to strengthen the King's navy to such a degree that King Edward would still be able to fill the noble position of peacemaker to the world. We were not acting under the influence of hysteria or panic, but were merely taking steps to provide for future contingencies, not present dangers. It had been suggested that a public subscription should be made for the purpose of presenting a battleship to our navy, and already many generous sums had been offered, but that plan alone would be too slow. If we were to give, we must give at once. As the Federal Government had no funds available, let the money be subscribed in Australia by its citizens by means of personal subscriptions and Government bonds bearing low interest issued by each State in proportion to its share in population. Still more, while the ship was being built we should be training the men, so that two years hence the battleship Australia would take its place manned entirely by Australian officers and men. (Applause.)

MR. REID'S GREAT RECEPTION.

Mr. Reid, M.P., who was received with great cheering, moved,—"That, in the opinion of this meeting of citizens glorying in the traditions of the British race, of which they are a part, the time has arrived for the Commonwealth to take an active share in the naval defence of the Empire." (Cheers.) Those who have proposed this magnificent assembly of citizens of Sydney, and another magnificent meeting in the Town Hall in Melbourne—(cheers)—had been charged with the crime of hysteria. (Laughter.) There was a great deal every day of the hysteria of selfishness amongst us. (Hear, hear.) There was a great deal of the hysteria of money-making. There was a great deal of the hysteria of the love of pleasure and sport—(cheers)—and the time had come to arouse a little enthusiasm on behalf of the mother country in her hour of need. (Great cheering.) There were others who asked them to think of posterity—what, they said, would posterity think of the offer of a Dreadnought? But the question could be put in a better way: What would posterity think of them if they did not offer a Dreadnought? (Cheers.) Posterity was already under heavy obligations to Great Britain. (Cheers.)

At this stage one interjector at the back of the hall was so persistent in his remarks that Mr. Reid said, "He'll have to go out," and he was promptly passed out, amid great cheers.

BRITAIN'S GIFTS TO AUSTRALIA.

Continuing, Mr. Reid said Great Britain had given Australia a gift that had never before been given by a great Empire to a young nation—a grand, free, political Constitution. (Cheers.) In addressing a public meeting some time ago he had said that the British navy should be kept up to a standard equal to the combination of any two hostile Powers. They had to look at matters in a different light when they now saw a deliberate effort made by the greatest of military Powers to challenge the supremacy of the British flag upon the oceans of the world. Every Power had a perfect right to build as many battleships as it wished, and he was not there to question that right. If Germany with her small possessions needed a great fleet, surely Great Britain with her magnificent empire should build three battleships for every two that Germany built. (Cheers.) The maintenance of the naval supremacy of the mother country had put an enormous strain upon the people of the old land, living upon 120,000 square miles, who had borne the full burden of an Empire of 12,000,000 square miles. During the past decade Great Britain had spent £100,000,000 on naval construction, and during the same period Great Britain had spent £300,000,000 upon naval maintenance. This had been a great burden upon the people of the motherland.

AUSTRALIA'S INTEREST.

Someone might say that all these millions were spent for the British people for themselves. Of course there was some truth in that; but we must not forget that Australia was more vitally affected by the question of naval supremacy than any other part of the British Empire. (Cheers.) Only a few days ago one was hoping that the world was drifting happily into a state of universal peace and arbitration, but all at once the curtain was raised, and they saw that a mighty Power had been working day and night in order to supplant the majesty of the power of the British nation upon the seas. (Cries of "Never.") He would like them to remember that this question of naval supremacy—(Voices: "The Union Jack")—was a life and death question for the people of Australia. (Loud cheers.) We all looked forward to a time when this young country of Australia would have its own fleet—a great fleet—its own army—a great army—but for years to come all our commerce, all our liberty, depended upon the fleet and that ensign that floated over the fleet of Britain. (Cheers.) It was time to ask had Australia done her share in providing for naval defence, which was so essential for her existence and freedom? (Voices: "Not much.") It was only fair to say we were now contributing £200,000 a year. The fleet spent half a million here. He agreed with the Premier that the naval contribution should be largely increased, but he also said that far more than that £200,000 would mean flashing across the wires that Australia would be represented amongst the battleships of Britain.

This was received with three cheers, the meeting upstanding.

A PEOPLE'S MOVEMENT.

Mr. Reid, continuing, said he admired the liberality of that gallant little country, New Zealand, and he admired what was being done in Sydney, but this thing must not be done by one or two rich Australians. If the Federal Government would not do the work, surely the State Governments would do it. If the State Governments would not, surely New South Wales and Victoria could unite to do it. If Victoria would not help, surely New South Wales could do it. (Loud cheers.) If they wanted to know who was the leader of Australasia in the estimation of the world, it was not this great continent; it was that gallant place, New Zealand. (Cheers.) The spirit that triumphed in past ages against the mailed fists of her enemies lived still. (Applause.) We still had the British hearts of oak—just as invincible as they were in the days of Drake and the Spanish Armada, and in the days of Nelson. (Loud and prolonged applause.)

The Lord Mayor read the following telegram from the Lord Mayor of Melbourne, Alderman J. Burston:—

"Melbourne heartily joins with Sydney in support of patriotic movement. England's naval supremacy must be maintained. Australia's place is alongside the motherland. She will not be found wanting. The Town Hall is already crowded with a most enthusiastic meeting."

TRADE AND THE FLAG.

Mr. G. S. Littlejohn (president of the Sydney Chamber of Commerce) seconded the motion. The commercial community would be the first people to feel the blow in the event of war.

An interjector at the rear of the hall was here ejected.

Mr. Littlejohn: The British Empire had long struggled to maintain her supremacy in trade. She had sent trade commissioners out here, and had now on Australian soil Sir Charles Lucas. It was incumbent upon Great Britain to protect her trade, and that trade depended upon oversea carriage. It was of supreme importance that the mother country should have a navy capable of protecting the enormous trade she now enjoyed. The part that Australia had to play was entirely one of sentiment. The Cabinet that recognised this truth and acted upon it was the one that would most truly represent the nation. (Applause.)

The Lord Mayor called upon the Town Clerk to read the following telegram from Alderman Molloy, the Mayor of Perth:—

"Reciprocate hearty British greetings. Hope for enthusiastic meeting to-night. Australia's sons will not forget the noble deeds of their fathers battling for British supremacy. One Empire, one King, and an invincible British fleet are noble sentiments which Western Australians patriotically uphold in rallying round the flag."

NO HYSTERIA.

Mr. Oakes, M.L.A., honorary Minister, supported the motion. We had a splendid rich and fertile country given to us without having to fire a shot, and Great Britain had been its protector. If gratitude meant anything, surely there ought to be gratitude to the mother of us all when her grand old flag was challenged. (Applause.) To give quickly was to give doubly. He trusted that the great body of Australian sentiment had been aroused. He hoped Australia would go forward and show that, though we were slow to follow New Zealand, we realised that it was not too late to do it now. (Applause.) He asked that no Australians would allow themselves to be carried away by those who said it was hysteria that swayed them. They were people who said it was hysteria in the sending of money to the Indian famine and to the Italian earthquake. Let Australia show that she would never be false or disloyal to the grand old mother country. (Applause.)

The motion was carried unanimously, all present standing and giving three cheers.

MR. O'SULLIVAN WOULD MAKE WAR.

Mr. O'Sullivan, M.L.A., moved.—"That in view of the expressed determination of Britain's rivals to challenge her naval supremacy, Australia should present a Dreadnought to the British navy as an immediate expression of her invincible resolve to stand by the mother country, and take her place in the Empire's fighting line." (Great cheering.) He was proud to learn that the last telegram was sent by a man with the name of Molloy. (Laughter.) It is about as Irish as O'Sullivan. (Laughter.) His whole heart and soul went with the British Empire. (Cheers.) He had many times in the past proved his loyalty. Here he would again affirm it, and do all he could to uphold the prestige of the Empire. Australia either did or did not belong to the British Empire. If she did she must stand by it. He was a member of the Government which had not hesitated to send 9000 troops to South Africa. He would do it again if necessary. There should be no talk of severing Australia from the Empire. He had no sympathy with disintegration, whether it were Australia or Ireland or Canada. He hoped to follow in the footsteps of Richard Seddon, who stood in the front rank of Imperialists. It was no use trying to build a few Dreadnoughts for Australia. We could not do it in the time. There might be war in six months, and the great crisis would be in the German Sea. (Cheers.) Australians must support the British fleet if they wanted to win the great sea fight in the German Ocean. Of what use were six or ten Dreadnoughts around the coast of Australia if the battle were to be fought elsewhere? We could leave all that to the commanders of the British navy. (Cheers.) If he were dictator of England, and had plenty of money, he would not hesitate to give the order to the British Admiral to seize the German fleet at once. (Cheers and laughter.) He would do it at once, if he had to be turned out of office afterwards. (Laughter.) He would remind them of what the Prussians did. Bismarck did not hesitate to forge a telegram to deceive the French. Germans were the most callous, sordid, and selfish people in the world, with due regard to some Germans who were good by accident. (Laughter.) The German navy was like the tiger which became formidable when it grew up. There was no time to nurse the tiger any longer. (Cheers.) England should repeat the performance of Nelson at Copenhagen. (Hear, hear.) Australia should be prepared to fight in the place where victory would tell. (A voice: I thought you were a democrat?) He could be a democrat and an Imperialist as well. The time was serious, and all wanted to prevent that great battle from being fought in Australia. (Cheers.)

"TORRENS TITLE TO A CONTINENT."

Mr. J. Cook, M.P., in seconding the motion, said that he hoped they would rise to the discharge of their responsibilities and the succour of the old country. (Cheers.) Sympathy was a poor substitute for hard cash in a matter of this kind. Force rather than sympathy was the dominating factor in international affairs, and they had to look that fact squarely in the face. They were told that the resources of this country were at the disposal of the Empire, but the greater the resources the greater the need for strong defence. In offering a Dreadnought they offered a gift to the peace of the world. (Cheers.) The guarantee of that peace was the British Navy—if anything happened to that navy, they could bid good-bye to the years of peace and plenty in which they had lived. The maintenance of the navy was pressing heavily on the mother country, and it was time they helped to relieve that pressure. Great Britain had given them a Torrens title to this great continent, and had kept watch and ward over it while they had slept in safety. (Cheers.) She had also provided for them all the consular services of the Empire without the payment of a brass farthing on their part. Need he also remind them of the magnificent liberty she had accorded them—liberty even to tax the giver of the gift? (Cheers.) In view of all these things they surely owed something in return, altogether apart from their filial obligations. They were hearing much to-day of nailing flags to masts. (Laughter.) He nailed his colours then and there to an increased subsidy. (Cheers.) They could surely afford to pay in the same proportion as New Zealand. In offering this Dreadnought they offered the gift of the freedom of the great winning corps of civilisation the wide world over, a gift to the greatest agency for good which had ever appeared upon this planet. (Tumultuous cheering.)

THE PRAYER OF THE WOMEN.

Mrs. Hugh Dixson, president of the Women's Branch of the British Empire League, seconded the motion. The women prayed for peace; they prayed that the guns of this ship might only be fired in peaceful salutes. They joined in this movement because they felt that if it was hysterical and dramatic so much the better. If the world saw that the children of the Empire were hysterical in that way it would go far to preserve the universal peace for which they all prayed. (Loud cheers.)

Someone in the audience sought to move an amendment, but was howled down.

The motion was put to the meeting, and carried amid cheering, the meeting again singing "Rule, Britannia."

EXAMPLE TO BE SET.

Mr. A. Dangar moved,—"That the following gentlemen form an advisory committee, with power to add to their number, to carry into effect the above resolutions, and a fund be now opened, to be called the Lord Mayor's Fund, to which contributions towards the cost of a Dreadnought can be paid, the members of the committee to be as follows:—Mr. A. A. Dangar, Mr. Buchanan, Mr. Walter Hall, Mr. Samuel Hordern, Mr. Hugh Dixson, Mr. J. R. Carey, Mr. Winchcombe, M.L.C., Mr. G. S. Littlejohn, Mr. J. Russell French, Mr. T. A. Dibbs, Rev. Canon Boyce, Mr. Broughton, M.L.A., Mr. O'Sullivan, M.L.A., Alderman T. H. Kelly, and Mr. M'Gowen, M.L.A." He deprecated any bellicose speaking. Germany was a great nation, more powerful than we were. There was nothing hysterical or spasmodic about this matter; the thing had been growing for months and years, but we had been awakened suddenly by the necessity of taking action. There was nothing hysterical except on the part of those people who wished to save their pockets. He was not speaking because he could afford to give a little more than perhaps others, but he thought everyone should give what he could afford. As to the subsidy paid to the British navy, £200,000 a year was as nothing. We had awakened, and he believed we would give a Dreadnought. (Loud cheers.) After we had done that we should increase the subsidy. (Cheers.) The people of New South Wales could subscribe to this great fund, and the sooner the better, because if money was wanted for a thing of that sort it must be got quickly. If the required sum was not raised, let the balance be raised by bonds chargeable upon this country and redeemable at as short a date as possible. We should set an example which Canada and South Africa would follow, and above all quick action was necessary.

Mr. Kelly, M.P., in seconding the motion, said the movement was prompted partly by sentiment, and partly by a sense of self-interest. Although we might think that we no longer had a national Government, we still had national responsibilities; and, although those to whom we had a right to look to in our trouble had failed us, we must see that we did not fail ourselves. (Applause.)

The motion having been carried by acclamation, somebody in the audience called for three cheers for the King. They were given with much warmth.

Canon Boyce (president of the British Empire League), in proposing a vote of thanks to the Lord Mayor, said that news of this great meeting would travel all over the world, and its echoes be heard in every part of the Empire. (Cheers.)

"CHALLENGE TO BRITISH BROTHERHOOD."

Mr. Smithurst, secretary of the league, in seconding the motion, said it was a matter for congratulation that the State had men capable of interpreting the feelings of the people, and men who had the courage of their opinions. (Hear, hear.) He congratulated the Lord Mayor on taking the initiative in calling the meeting and inaugurating a Dreadnought fund. This was not only a reply to the mother country, but a challenge to the brotherhood of the British Empire. (Cheers.)

The motion was carried by acclamation, and the meeting terminated with cheers, "Rule Britannia," and "God Save the King."

MELBOURNE'S MEETING.

TUMULTUOUS ENTHUSIASM.

"ONE KING AND ONE NAVY."

FISHER ATTITUDE CONDEMNED.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

It would be impossible to exaggerate the enthusiasm of the great audience which crowded the Town Hall to-night to voice the feeling of the people of this State that Australia should in the present crisis offer a Dreadnought to Great Britain. Immediately the doors of the hall were opened there was a rush to get seats, and before half-past 7 o'clock it was necessary to close the main entrances to prevent the great hall from being overcrowded. The audience was entertained until the opening of the meeting with a recital of patriotic airs on the organ. Every item was received with applause. When the organist broke into "Rule Britannia" the great audience, moved as if by one impulse, rose and cheered, and cheered again, waving hats and handkerchiefs. On the chorus being repeated, the audience stopped from cheering to sing the words of the concluding line, "Britons never, never, never shall be slaves."

The Lord Mayor presided, and on the platform with him were the State Premier, Mr. Murray, Senator Sir Robert Best, Mr. Irvine, Dr. Carty Salmon, and Mr. G. Fairbairn, Ms.P., and several members of the State Ministry.

ESSENTIALLY NATIONAL QUESTION.

The Lord Mayor said the Lieut.-Governor and Mr. Deakin had sent apologies. From Corowa the president of the Farmers and Settlers' Association telegraphed: "Our president has announced the man on the land will do his share willingly; will follow with men if necessary." (Loud applause.) He had received from the Lord Mayor of Sydney a message urging them to insist on Great Britain maintaining her right to one King and one invincible navy. (Loud continued applause.) He was also in receipt of a very large number of telegrams and letters from this and other States, wishing the movement every success. Since he decided to call this meeting, the announced declaration of the Prime Minister seemed only to have strengthened the movement. (Applause.) The replies he had showed that Australia as a whole was sympathetic and unanimous in support. The response to-night would, he trusted, be such that the Commonwealth Government would reconsider its decision; and the will of the people having been spoken with no uncertain voice that will would be carried out. By so doing the Government would remove from Australia the stigma of being lukewarm in her loyalty to the dear old motherland. This question was essentially national, and the people looked to the Commonwealth Government to carry out their will, or at once call Parliament together to give effect to its views. (Applause.)

SENATOR BEST'S SPEECH.

Senator Sir Robert Best moved—(1) "That this meeting views with the utmost concern the recent declarations in the Imperial Parliament showing that the naval supremacy of Great Britain is seriously challenged, as it recognises that the command of the sea is absolutely essential to the integrity of the Empire, and the safety of its oversea dominions." He said: "Efforts have been made to discredit or at least to minimise this overwhelming volume of public opinion which has swept throughout Australia in connection with this question of offering a battleship to the mother country. But this public meeting and the various public meetings which are going to take place throughout the Commonwealth will show how deadly in earnest the people of Australia are. (Prolonged cheering.) It will at once dispel this extraordinary hallucination about hysteria. (Cheers.) We have learned from the mother country of the deep concern she is in regarding her national safety. The refusal on the part of the Commonwealth Government is a regrettable circumstance, a total misinterpretation of public opinion. (Loud and continued applause.) They say we are to await the defence policy which is to be announced next week. We are told that that will provide for a steady and persistent policy of protection of Australia. I would like to ask the Prime Minister one question: "Will that policy provide for the independent protection of Australia, apart from the protection and support of the British Empire?" (Loud applause.) In contributing a Dreadnought we are contributing to the protection of Australia. (Applause.) Germany has not hesitated to avow her intention of wresting from Great Britain the trident which has been so gloriously held by our own Empire. We must now do our duty, and that duty is to rally round the flag. (Loud applause.)

VICTORIA READY TO ACT.

The Premier, Mr. Murray, said: "The question of what action the Victorian Government should take has been gravely and deliberately considered by the members of that Administration. I am here to-night not merely to support the resolution, but to state to you what the Government is prepared to do. (Cheers.) We are prepared to support this offer of a Dreadnought to the British Government—(tumultuous cheering)—and to take the initiative if it be necessary so to do. (Cries of "Oh.") We regret that on such a matter as this we cannot speak as the mouthpiece of the whole of the Australian nation. We have placed ourselves in communication with the Government of New South Wales, but if Mr. Wade is not prepared to give a lead then Victoria is quite prepared to cheerfully do it. (Renewed tumultuous cheering.) I believe that when calmly reviewed, when the country is in possession of all the facts, when it realises that the supremacy of the British Navy has been seriously challenged, it will, with a voice almost of unanimity, approve of the action of the Government of which I am the head." (Prolonged cheering.) The resolution was carried amidst great cheering.

LABOUR NOT AUSTRALIA.

Mr. W. H. Irvine, M.P., moved the second resolution as follows:—"This meeting most strongly urges upon the Commonwealth Government the importance of at once reconsidering its announced decision, with a view to the immediate offering of a Dreadnought battleship to the Empire on behalf of the people of Australia." He felt a sense not only of profound disappointment, but of humiliation at the action of the Commonwealth Government in refusing to give effect to the desire of the great bulk of the people in Australia. They were told that in a few days at Gympie they would have a public announcement of a general naval and military policy for the Commonwealth. Could the matter they were now dealing with affect the future policy of Australia? (Cries of "No.") He did not wish to say anything that could be construed into an unfair suggestion with regard to the Federal Government and its leader. They must all realise that every leader of a Government had to bow more or less to all sections of the particular people who supported him. What he wanted the meeting to declare was that if that was the sentiment of the people who supported the Prime Minister it was not the sentiment of the vast majority of Australians. He had no respect nor sympathy with the Australians—and he believed there were not many—who said, "There is no necessity for panic. Whatever burden may have to be borne will be borne by the people at the other end of the world."

Australia paid less than 1s per head towards the Navy which secured them everything they had, and every man, woman, and child contributed between 16s and 17s per annum. That position could not last, and sooner or later there must and would be a response by the people of Australia, who were only too willing to take a permanent share in it. (Loud cheers.) In the meantime, in the interests of the Empire they should embrace this great opportunity of showing not only to their fellow-citizens in the old country, but the world, that they were a nation raising their voices to assert the rights and privileges of a nation.

VICTORIA WILL OFFER DREADNOUGHT.

Dr. Carty Salmon seconded the resolution.

The State Treasurer, Mr. Watt, supporting it, said if the Federal Government again refused to take action, then either above the signature of Mr. Wade or Mr. Murray would go the offer of a Dreadnought to the motherland. He could say that Victoria—and he spoke as one of its responsible Ministers—would be ready with money when money was required.

"KICK MR. FISHER OUT."

Mr. G. Fairbairn, M.P., supporting the resolution, said Mr. Fisher had made the mistake of his life. (Hear, hear.) He felt Mr. Fisher would change his mind. If he did not, he should call Parliament together; then they would kick him out. (Loud applause.)

CALL PARLIAMENT TOGETHER.

Mr. Mauger moved the third resolution. It read,—"That should the Government be of opinion that compliance with the foregoing resolution would not be in accord with its defence policy, it be requested to at once call Parliament together to afford the representatives of the people an opportunity of dealing with the question."

Mr. M'Pherson seconded the resolution, which was agreed to.

CHEERS FOR THE KING.

OPPOSITION MEETING FAILS.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

A street meeting of some 200 or 300 persons was collected to-night in Russell-street, outside Scots Church, by Mr. Colechin, formerly Labour member for Geelong in the Legislative Assembly. It was gathered with the intention of declaring,—"That in the opinion of this meeting the action of the Fisher Government is commendable in the circumstances"; but the crowd treated Mr. Colechin with ridicule, and showed itself enthusiastically in favour of the Dreadnought proposal. When Mr. Colechin had harangued the meeting for some time he was silenced by three cheers for the King, three cheers for New Zealand, and the singing of "Rule Britannia." The speakers who were chosen to move and second the motion were tolerantly heard, but when it was read a man with a Yorkshire accent cried out, "Three cheers for the Dreadnowt," and the speakers were forgotten while the Yorkshireman was hoorayed by the crowd. An amendment in favour of giving a battleship was then carried with great enthusiasm.

LABOUR OPPOSITION.

REFUSE THE DREADNOUGHT.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

At a special meeting of the central executive of the Political Labour Council to-night the following resolution was passed:—"That this executive heartily and unanimously approves and supports the action of the Federal Government in refusing to defray out of Commonwealth funds the cost of contributing a Dreadnought for presentation to the British Government. That, in our opinion, the attitude of the Prime Minister correctly represents the opinion of the politically organised workers of Australia; and that in view of the threats made by the Liberal section of the daily press affiliated organisations be requested to prepare for any eventuality." It was further resolved by the executive to test public opinion by holding public meetings and putting the case from the standpoint that the P.L.C. take up.

MR. FISHER.

NEW ZEALAND NEEDS PROTECTION.

AUSTRALIA DIFFERENTLY PLACED.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The acceptance by the Imperial Government of the spontaneous testimony of the patriotism of New Zealand has failed to change the attitude taken by the Prime Minister, Mr. Fisher. He said to-night that his attitude was not to be altered. "Do you consider," he was asked, "that the acceptance of the offer changes your position?" "It does not affect my attitude in the least degree," he replied. "I repeat that New Zealand occupies an entirely different position from Australia. She relies upon the protection of the British fleet. The action of the Government is part of a well-considered policy which we intend to carry out."

Interviewed to-night, Mr. Fisher said: "I shall have no complaint to make if the States or private citizens take independent action in regard to the Dreadnought. But we must go on with our policy, which is to provide a permanent, steady, and efficient land and sea defence for Australia. If Australians are going to defend themselves they will have to pay for it. There seems to be a lot of money floating about Sydney. I hope some of it will be available for the defence of Australia."

ADMIRAL BOSANQUET'S VIEWS.

NAVY WON'T FALL BEHIND.

ALARMIST REPORTS FOUNDATIONLESS.

PERTH, Thursday.

On board R.M.S. Omrah, which passed through Fremantle to-day, was Admiral Sir Day Hort Bosanquet and suite, Governor of South Australia, vice Sir Geo. Le Hunte. Concerning the naval crisis he said:—"Of course I have had no time to study the position. I don't think Great Britain need have any fear of German competition. Both Mr. Asquith and Mr. M'Kenna have distinctly and repeatedly stated that they would not allow the British navy to fall behind. In fact, Mr. Asquith has said that the Government this year provided in the Estimates for four Dreadnoughts, but if necessary, would build five more. I am sure that the present Government will do all that is necessary to protect the Empire. Of course, the Admiralty has a more accurate knowledge of the true state of affairs than anyone else. It is my firm belief that there is not much foundation for all these alarmist reports. No doubt it will be found necessary to keep the ship-building programme well up to the standard. It may also be found necessary, on account of foreign naval construction, to build further Dreadnoughts. Germany is a very rich nation, and doubtless feels that further expansion is impossible without naval supremacy.'

MAYOR OF BRISBANE REBUKED.

EVASIVE AND DEFIANT REPLY.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

With reference to the matter of an Australian Dreadnought, the secretary of the Brisbane Stock Exchange to-day wrote to the Mayor of Brisbane:—

While, of course, it is within your prerogative to refuse to call a public meeting as suggested, it is a matter for regret that the reason you give reflects upon the citizens whom you represent. As you state you do not consider you would be justified in convening a meeting, likely to inaugurate a panic movement in this city, it would appear either that the citizens of London, Toronto, Melbourne, Sydney, etc., are less fortunate than Brisbane in their civic authorities, or else that the citizens of Brisbane are, as you infer, weaker in moral fibre.

The Mayor in reply writes:—

I am not in any way concerned with any inference or deductions you may draw. Apparently you are under the impression that the Brisbane Stock Exchange and the citizens of Brisbane are identical bodies. I regret I cannot concur in that view. When the citizens as a body signify their wishes I will act without regard to coercion, but until then I consider this correspondence closed.

AUSTRALIA'S POSITION.

MR. WADE AT FORSTER.

PROMPT ACTION WANTED.

Speaking at Forster on Wednesday night Mr. Wade, the State Premier, emphasised the great importance of attracting emigrants to New South Wales. Australia was surrounded by hungry nations, and the country must have a powerful navy to protect us from invasion. It was hopeless to expect at present for New South Wales, or even Australia, to construct a navy on its own. Regarding recent revelations with respect to Germany, it was more imperative than ever that Great Britain should maintain the two-power standard. There could be no stronger object-lesson to the world, and no greater moral lesson to the world than if Australia, Canada, New Zealand, and South Africa stood side by side with the old country, and each contributed a Dreadnought. New Zealand had shown the way, and Australia should follow, but it was entirely a matter for the Commonwealth. Mr. Fisher had said he would announce a decision at Gympie next week. That was not much good. What they wanted was prompt action.

A FINANCIAL SUGGESTION.

MUDGEE, Thursday.

Speaking at the opening of the show to-day Mr. Henry Willis, M.P., said that no doubt at an early date the Federal Parliament would be called together to deal with the question of Australian defence. The Dreadnought proposal met with his heartiest approval and support. He thought it was very mean that Australia should only contribute £200,000 per annum, against the tens of millions contributed by the people of Great Britain. Reference had been made to expansion of trade and increase of production in the Mudgee district. Well, he would tell them that if it were not for the supremacy of the British Navy that trade would soon be nothing. A simple and effective means of raising the money for building two Dreadnoughts would be by issuing bonds. The amount of money required would be four millions. The bonds could be issued at 3 per cent.

ENTHUSIASM IN HOBART.

TASMANIA WILL BEAR HER SHARE.

HOBART, Thursday.

A crowded and an enthusiastic meeting was held at the Town Hall to-night, at which stirring speeches were delivered by the Attorney-General, Mr. Propsting, Senators Dobson and Sayers, and Mr. W. J. M'Williams, M.P., and other leading citizens, in support of the proposal that the Commonwealth should present a Dreadnought to the mother country. A resolution expressing the opinion that the integrity of the British Empire and the full development of its oversea dominions depended upon Great Britain's supremacy of the sea, was carried amid cheers. A second resolution supporting the proposal that a Dreadnought be presented to the Imperial Government, and stating that Tasmania would readily and gratefully contribute its share of any expenditure so involved, was also accorded enthusiastic approval. It was decided to forward copies of the resolutions to the Prime Minister.

CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE.

FROM HOUSE OF COMMONS.

WELLINGTON, Thursday.

The Earl of Crewe's important despatch has not yet reached Lord Plunket, who is aboard the Government steamer Tutanekai, barbound off Opotiki. Sir Jos. Ward to-day received the following cable from the members of the House of Commons:—"Cordially appreciate the magnificent offer of the New Zealand Dominion. Signatures by mail."

SUPPORT AT COROWA.

COROWA, Thursday.

The question of a Dreadnought for Great Britain is being taken up warmly here. The Mayor has been asked to call a public meeting. A number of subscriptions have been promised.

MELBOURNE CHAMBER OF MINES.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The suggestion that the Commonwealth should assist in adding to the strength of the British navy by presenting a Dreadnought was enthusiastically discussed at a meeting of the Chamber of Mines to-day. The following resolution was carried unanimously:—"That the council of the Chamber of Mines of Victoria cordially supports the proposal that Australia should present Great Britain with a Dreadnought, and urges the Federal Government to reconsider its decision."

STRONG LABOUR HOSTILITY.

A SELFISH RESOLUTION.

PERTH, Thursday.

At a meeting of the metropolitan council of the A.L.F., held at the Trades Hall last evening, the question of the proposed national gift of a Dreadnought to Great Britain was considered. It was resolved unanimously that the strongest possible opposition be recorded against the proposal, it being urged that if the suggested expenditure were devoted to a Public Works policy greater advantages would accrue to the workers of the State.

MYSTERY OF A HEAD.

POLICE INVESTIGATIONS.

NEWCASTLE, Thursday.

The Water Police were engaged to-day dragging the harbour in the vicinity of the place where the man's head was found yesterday, in the hope of discovering a body. Their efforts were unsuccessful, and nothing more sensational than a dead pig was discovered. This was brought to the surface in a large bag, and it was at first thought that an important discovery had been made. So far all efforts to trace the identity of the head have failed, and no reports of a missing man have been received.

THE MAILS.

THIS DAY.

South Australia.—Overland, 5.30 p.m.
Victoria.—Overland, 5.30 and 8 p.m.
Queensland.—Overland, 3.45 p.m.
Eden.—Eden, 9 a.m.
Java Ports, via Newcastle.—Perth, 1.30 p.m.
Auckland, etc, N.Z. (direct).—Indralema, 2 p.m.
Manning River.—Burrawong, 6 p.m.

SATURDAY.

Auckland, etc, N.Z. (direct).—Whakarau, 10 a.m.
Macleay River, Byron Bay, Port Macquarie, and Coff's Harbour, via Newcastle.—Noorebar, noon.
Wellington, etc, N.Z. (direct).—Moeraki, 1 p.m.
Monte Video, Buenos Ayres, Chili, and Rio Janeiro, via Wellington.—Moeraki and Paparoa, 1 p.m.
Nelson's Bay and Tea Gardens.—Karuah, 2 p.m.
Nambucca Heads and Macksville.—Nerong, 4 p.m.
Bellinger Heads.—Rosedale, 5 p.m.
Richmond River.—Brundah, 7 p.m.
Clarence River.—Kyogle, 8 p.m.
Tasmania, via Melbourne.—Loongana, 9.30 p.m.

DOCTORS!

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SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.—March 25.

Mongolia, R.M.S., 9505 tons, Captain Preston, from London, via ports. Passengers—Miss R. Davies, Mrs. Cumming, Mrs. Dickson, Miss Dickson, Mrs. Baker and infant, Miss F. Hurt, Miss E. MacDonald, Mrs. J. R. M. Robertson, Miss Robertson, Mrs. Robinson's nurse and two children, Mrs. Wilson and infant, two children, and nurse, Miss Mann, Mrs. Wilson Smith, Mrs. and Miss Woodham, Miss Ashe, Mrs. Preston, Miss Preston, Mrs. Robinson, Mrs. Gunther, Miss D. Bostie, Mrs. Cliff, child, and nurse, Mrs. Fisher, Mrs. Marks, the Misses Williams, Mrs. F. W. Angelo, Miss J. Mackellar, Miss Paxton, Mrs. Leloan, Mrs. Richards, child, and two infants, Miss Renwick, Mrs. J. and Miss Hart, Mr. J. L. Cumming, Mr. G. L. Dickson, Mr. G. Baker, Mr. J. C. Joseph, Right Rev. Bishop Wilson, Mr. A. B. Henderson, Mr. C. G. Campbell, Mr. A. J. Briedly, Dr. Thieme, Mr. A. J. Gibson, Major H. M. Cliff, Mr. W. Robinson, Mr. W. Isbister, Mr. T. D. Edwards, Mr. J. J. Joyce, Mr. J. Carmichael, Mr. H. Worssam, Mr. H. Fisher, Mr. W. White, Mr. W. Marks, Brigadier-General F. Angelo, Mr. G. de la P. Beresford, Corporal A. Hartley, Mr. H. A. Cowper, Mr. C. H. G. Ross, Mr. S. B. Stuart, R.N., Rev. C. O. Leloan, Major Richards, Mr. A. Niepel, Mr. J. K. Johnston. For Wellington: Miss Rawson, Mrs. and Miss Elgar, Miss Humphrey, Mrs. Riddiford, Mrs. Elgar's maid, Mr. MacCarthy Monogh, Mr. C. Elgar and manservant, Mr. A. B. Rowe. For Lyttelton: Miss Creyke, Mr. Mathias. For Auckland: Mr. E. I. Groning. For Port Albert: Private G. Franklin. E. Trelawny, agent.

Ayrshire, s, 7062 tons, Captain Coull, from Liverpool, via ports. Passengers—From Liverpool: Mrs. L. K. Matthews, Miss D. L. Matthews, Master T. Matthews, Miss R. Matthews, Miss A. Jones, Miss M. A. Morris, Miss A. Jackson, Mr. L. Chadwick, Mr. J. Eastwood, Mr. A. Boorlok, Mr. J. Pickles, Mr. A. Cockling, Mr. C. Elfconkling, Mr. M. F. V. Ryan, Mr. W. Knibb, Mr. R. Jones, Mr. A. Taylor, Mr. H. Orr, Mr. W. Currie, Mr. and Mrs. W. Elder, Mr. J. Wright, Mrs. Wright, Mr. and Mrs. D. Reid, Mr. H. Watson, Mr. W. Crowther, Mr. W. H. Griffiths, Mr. T. Paul, Mr. J. Owen, Mr. W. Tofield, Mrs. Tofield, Mr. J. Robertson, Mr. J. Postlewaite, Mr. S. Chadwick, Mr. Thos. Nicholson, Mr. H. Tory, Mr. C. Ingham, Mr. and Mrs. S. Rhodes, Mr. F. Howell, Mr. Thos. Orr, Mr. F. C. Hayes, Mr. A. Money, Mr. R. Laird, Mr. W. Smith, Mr. J. Peoples, Mr. C. W. Liney, Mr. A. Thompson, Miss A. Connell, Mr. B. Fawcett, Mr. and Mrs. D. Wilson and 2 children, Mr. W. H. Dodd, Mr. E. Elworthy, Mrs. C. Bocock and 2 children, Mr. F. Pickles and child, Mr. J. F. Walker, Mr. and Mrs. Schmidt and 5 children, Mr. A. Murphy, Mrs. Murphy, Mr. P. Gibson, Mr. R. Olive, Mr. T. Daly, Mr. and Mrs. T. Raleigh and 2 children, Mr. S. Lawton, Mr. H. Nicholson, Miss J. T. Jamieson, Miss A. Bayle, Miss Sarah Smith, Miss Clara Cook, Miss H. Slinger, Miss S. J. Dutton, Miss A. Gamer, Mr. B. Knapton, Mr. G. J. R. Cockling, Mr. W. Morris, Mr. F. Dobson, Mr. and Mrs. Godsall and 2 children, Miss Unity M'Ateer, Miss F. Price, Mr. J. W. Smith, Mr. R. Parkington, Mr. F. J. Day, Mr. A. Butterworth, Mrs. Butterworth, Mr. W. Hobson, Mr. L. Brook, Mr. and Mrs. H. Ballinger and child, Mr. H. Slinger, Mr. W. Westcott, Mr. A. E. Evans, Mrs. Evans, Mr. T. Owens, Mr. J. Robertson, Mr. J. M'Aulay, Mr. W. Connell, Mr. R. Dibb, Mr. F. Slinger, Mr. J. J. Toft, Mr. and Mrs. M. Connell, Mr. J. Hetherington, Mr. E. Rhodes, Mr. E. Williams, Mrs. E. Liddington, Mr. G. Young, Mr. R. H. Tompkins, Mr. W. T. Crawshaw, Mr. C. Laird, Mr. S. Lomas, Mr. J. Cunningham, Mr. G. J. Kelly, Mrs. I. M'Lean and child, Mr. W. Dibb, Mr. T. Frost, Mr. W. Campbell, Mr. W. Hunt, Mr. T. Hunt, Mrs. M. Hebson and 2 children, Mr. P. Bathie, Mr. A. Sullivan, Mrs. Sullivan, Mr. P. E. Johnson, Mr. P. S. Forbes, Mr. G. Donnett, Mr. J. M'Ivor, Mr. and Mrs. M'Donald and 4 children, Mr. R. M'Allister, Mr. J. Brownlie, Mr. Phil Fay, Mr. and Mrs. W. Inglis, Mr. C. Hepburn, Mr. T. Brown, Mr. W. Shaw, Mrs. H. Sagar, Miss A. Baldwin, Mr. A. Davidson, Mr. W. Kitson, Mr. and Mrs. Atkin and 3 children, Mr. C. Simm, Mr. T. Atkinson, Mr. and Mrs. Thos. M'Michael and 2 children, Mr. H. Jackson, Mr. G. Arkley, Mr. J. Cheetham, Mr. E. L. Hornibrook, Mr. J. Barbour, Mr. A. Stalker, Mr. A. Wishart, Mr. H. Webster, Mr. H. Heaton, Mr. G. Smith, Mr. R. Tolmaer, Mr. G. Kibblewhite, Mr. F. Forsyth, Mr. R. Woods, Mr. W. Murray, Mr. C. Dunn, Mr. T. Perrier, Mrs. C. Baldwin, Mr. J. Atkinson, Mr. T. Riley, Mr. J. W. Mills, Mr and Mrs. Reid and 2 children, Mr. D. Waterson, Mr. C. Abbott, Mr. and Mrs. Emmerson and 5 children, Mr. J. Preston, Mr. and Mrs. J. Kelcher and 2 children, Mr. W. Oliphant, Mr. D. Arthur, Miss A. Riley, Mr. H. Baseley, Mr. A. Marsh, Mr. H. Hay, Mr. R. Parry, Mr. T. Hanlon, Mr. E. Lacey. From Capetown: Mrs. Wallace and 2 children, Mr. R. E. A. Doig, Mr. and Mrs. E. Woods. Birt and Co., Limited, agents.

Paloona, s, 2771 tons, Captain Macbeth, from Hobart, with 118 passengers. F. W. Jackson, agent.

Moira, s, 2184 tons, Captain F. Law, Johnston, from Rockhampton, via ports. Burns, Philp, and Co., Ltd., agents.

Gabo, s, 2000 tons, Captain H. F. Joynt, from Brisbane. Passengers: Saloon 4; steerage 24. G. S. Yuill and Co., agents.

Hunter, s, 1840 tons, Captain Thompson, from Newcastle. Newcastle and H.R.S.S. Company, Ltd., agents.

Eden, s, 693 tons, Captain Nicholson, from Eden. Illawarra and South Coast S.N. Company, Ltd., agents.

Cavanba, s, 573 tons, Captain W. Anderson, from Byron Bay. North Coast S. N. Company, Ltd., agents.

Our Jack, s, 272 tons, Captain Hunt, from Cape Hawke. Allen Taylor and Co., agents.

Brundah, s, 884 tons, Captain B. Alley, from Richmond River. North Coast S.N. Company, Ltd., agents.

Wollowra, s, 2551 tons, Captain Brissenden, from Melbourne. G. S. Yuill and Co., Ltd., agents.

Ouraka, s, 2637 tons, Captain Snedden, from Adelaide. G. S. Yuill and Co., Ltd., agents.

Kyogle, s, 702 tons, Captain E. Farrell, from Clarence River. North Coast S.N. Company, Ltd., agents.

Moeraki, s, 4392 tons, Captain Stott, from Newcastle. F. W. Jackson, agent.

Peterborough, s, 159 tons, Captain Willis, from Crookhaven Heads. Illawarra and South Coast S. N. Co., Ltd., agents.

Archer, s, 694 tons, Captain Nilssen, from Newcastle. Newcastle and H. R. SS. Co., Ltd., agents.

Karuah, s, 215 tons, Captain Phillipsen, from the north. Newcastle and H. R. SS. Co., Ltd., agents.

Cooma, s, 3839 tons, Captain G. Smith, from Townsville, via ports. Howard Smith Co., Ltd., agents.

March 26.

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DEPARTURES.—March 25.

Rostock, s, for Hamburg, via ports.
Buteshire, s, for Waitara.
Furth, s, for Antwerp.
Ajax, Pilot str., for Newcastle.
Lynton, bque, for West Coast, via Newcastle.
Ouraka, s, for Queensland ports, via Newcastle.
Paloona, s, for Newcastle.
Tofua, s, for Newcastle.

PROJECTED DEPARTURES.—March 26.

Moravian, s, for Durban, Capetown, and London, via Melbourne and Fremantle; Indralema, s, for New Zealand ports; Whakeru, s, for New Zealand ports; Gabo, s, for Melbourne; Burrawong, s, for the Manning River; Moruya, s, for Wollongong; Kiama, Bateman's Bay, Nelligen, and Ulladulla; Eden, s, for Ulladulla; Peterborough, s, for Nowra and Bomaderry; Woy Woy, s, for Gosford, Wyong, and Brisbane Water; Hawkesbury, s, for Hawkesbury River, Pittwater, and Newport; Narara, s, for the Hawkesbury River; Namoi, s, for Newcastle; Coomonderry, s, for Narooma and Wagonga; Friendship, s, for Ballina and the Tweed River.

CLEARANCES.—March 25.

Lynton, bq, 2324 tons, Captain Morrell, for West Coast, via Newcastle.
Ouraka, s, 2637 tons, Captain Provo, for Queensland ports, via Newcastle.
W. F. Babcock, sh, 1993 tons, Captain Sterling, for Hawaii, via Newcastle.
Paloona, s, 2771 tons, Captain Macbeth, for Newcastle.
Tofua, s, 4513 tons, Captain Hutton, for Newcastle.
Dumbea, F.M.S., 5917 tons, Captain Boyer, for Noumea.

ENTERED OUTWARDS.—March 25.

Paloona, s, for Hobart; Tofua, s, for Fiji, Samoa, and Tonga; Manila, s, for Hongkong and Manila, via German New Guinea, Yap, and Brisbane; Gabo, s, for Melbourne; Grantala, s, for Melbourne, Adelaide, Albany, and Fremantle; Ayrshire, s, for London and Liverpool, via Brisbane; Mongolia, R.M.S., for London, via Hobart, Melbourne, Adelaide, and Fremantle.

MOVEMENTS OF OVERSEA STEAMERS.

Aldenham (E. and A. line) left Brisbane yesterday, en route from Hongkong and Japan, to Sydney.

Eastern (E. and A. line) arrived at Port Darwin on Wednesday, and sailed again at daylight yesterday for Manila, Hongkong, Shanghai, and Japan.

Changsha (China Navigation line) left Port Darwin on Tuesday for Hongkong and Japan.

Omrah, R.M.S. (Orient-Royal Mail line), arrived at Fremantle at 7 a.m. yesterday from London, and sailed again at 1.20 p.m. for eastern ports.

Oswestry Grange (Federal-Houlder-Shire line) was despatched from Brisbane for Sydney, en route to South Africa and London.

Bremen (N.D.L. line) arrived at Adelaide yesterday, en route from Sydney to Bremen.

Orontes, R.M.S. (Orient-Royal Mail line), arrived at Adelaide yesterday from Sydney, and sailed again at 2.20 p.m. for London.

Sarpedon left Adelaide yesterday, en route from Sydney to London and Liverpool.

Taiyuan (China Navigation line) reached Melbourne yesterday from Hongkong and Japan.

Geelong (Lund's line) left Capetown on Wednesday en route from London to Australian ports.

Miltiades (Aberdeen line) arrived at Durban on Wednesday from Australian ports.

Aotea was despatched from Liverpool on Sunday for Sydney.

Port Caroline (Anglo-Australasian line) was despatched from Melbourne yesterday in continuation of her voyage from London to Sydney.

Wilcannia (Lund's line) left Melbourne yesterday in continuation of her voyage from London to Sydney.

Armand Behic, F.M.S. (M.M. line), from Sydney to Marseilles, left Melbourne yesterday.

MORAVIAN FOR LONDON.

The following is a list of the passengers booked by the Aberdeen liner Moravian, sailing from Dalgety's Wharf, Miller's Point, at 4 p.m. to-day for South Africa and London:—

For Durban: Mr. W. Rhodes, Mr. C. J. Green, Mr. R. Audley, Mr. W. Tennent, Mr. Thomas Bell, Mr. K. Murray, Mr. H. J. Parker, Mr. R. Allan, Mrs. Allan and infant, Mr. J. H. Lodge, Mrs. Lodge, Mr. A. Bell, Mr. Earl. For Capetown: Mr. H. R. Green, Mr. R. B. Stanford, Mr. E. A. Ellington, Mr. F. L. Barnett, Mr. F. Cross, Rev. F. J. Eccleston. For London: Mr. W. E. Hoare, Mr. Hoare, Miss G. Hoare, Mr. R. R. Hoare, Mr. J. N. Davidson, Mr. J. A. Featherstone, Mrs. Featherstone, Mr. A. Strahorn, Mrs. M. Kerin, Mrs. Alexander, Mrs. E. Somerville, Mr. J. Stirling, Mrs. Stirling, Mr. Thos. Dryden, Mrs. Grace, Mrs. Dwyer, Mrs. Wylie Salmon, Mr. John Borthwick, Mr. R. Cant, Mrs. Brown, Miss Brown, Miss D. Brown, Mr. Thomas Brown, Mr. J. F. Salisbury, Miss Salisbury, Mrs. A. Lawes, Miss H. Lawes, Mr. Henry Wakeham, Mr. D. Smith, Mr. F. W. Smith, Mr. S. Pike, Mrs. Pike, Mr. F. M. Lush, Mr. G. S. Hudson, Mr. D. Carson, Dr. J. Davies, Mrs. Davies, Mr. D. Macdonald, Master Devlin, Mr. Percy Austin, Rev. A. R. Redmond, Mrs. Redmond, Miss Redmond, Mr. R. G. Sikes, Mr. A. W. Grosvenor, Mrs. Rumpf, Mr. G. C. Bennett, Mrs. Bennett, Mr. Bennett, Miss M. Sewell, Miss Buchanan, Mr. W. Randall, Mr. E. F. Kirby, Mr. G. Willis, Mrs. J. H. Bond, Miss R. A. Bond, Mr. J. Ryan, Mr. J. P. Beale, Mr. W. R. Kefford, Mr. W. Butlin, Mr. H. Brady and infant, Mr. Basil Sharp, Mr. Dobbs, Mr. S. H. Townsend, Mr. E. J. Cleary; also passengers for interstate ports.

The principal lines of cargo are:—From Brisbane: 1088 bales wool, 287 casks tallow, 2400 quarters beef, 300 carcases lamb, 7400 boxes butter. From Sydney and Newcastle: 800 bales wool, 200 tons lead, 190 tons timber, 200 tons sugar, 100 bales sheepskins, 100 bales furred skins, 400 cases fruits, 574 packages gum, 9550 carcases mutton and lamb, 3500 crates rabbits, 3184 boxes butter.

R.M.S. OMRAH AT FREMANTLE.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

The R.M.S. Omrah arrived at 7 o'clock this morning. The passengers are:—

From Port Said to Melbourne: Mrs. Miss and Ms Syme.

From London to Adelaide: The Rev. A. Stubbs Long, Miss Watson, Miss Hammond, Admiral Sir H. Day Bosanquet, Lady Bosanquet, Misses Bosanquet two maids and valets (6), Captain Wright B. Neame, A.D.C., Mr. and Mrs. Hawker maid and family, Mr. T. Carey.

From Colombo to Adelaide: Mr. S. Grove.

From London to Melbourne: Mrs. J. C. Hood, Lieut. Hood, Mr. Mrs. and the Misses Thompson, Miss Meagher, Mis. Terry, Misses Whiting (2), Mrs. and Miss Parker, Mrs. C. Renfrew, Dr. W. H. Merin, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Allen, Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Wava, Mr. and Mrs. S. Gotts, Mr. J. Hasler.

From Colombo to Melbourne: Messrs. A. W. Smith, F. Hood, S. Smith, F. Wood, P. Wright.

From London to Hobart: Miss E. K. Hudspeth, Messrs. F. Dutson, M. Reimer, O. H. Warren.

From London to Sydney: Mr. H. Lassetter, Mrs. and Miss Lines, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Clark and family, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Armytage, Eng.-Commander Little, Mr. and Mrs. David Reid, Mr. and Mrs. Cremery, Brown, Mrs. Neave, Miss Wilkinson, Messrs. J. Begg, D. Woodshire, J. H. Parry, J. G. Long, Mrs. Forster and family, Mr. A. B. Wood, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. S. Stubbin, Mrs. Lester Potter, Mrs. H. J. Brown, Miss Kirschner, Mr. W. D. Woodside.

From Colombo to Sydney: Mr. H. S. Vaile, Mrs. Williams, Mr. W. Hawkens, Mr. H. Hegarty, Mr. M. M'Intyre.

From London to Auckland: Mr. A. Corps, Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Norman.

From London to Wellington: Mr. H. Manderson, Mr. and Mrs. Boulton, Messrs. A. and A. and Miss Boulton, Mr. and Mrs. Donnell, Mrs. H. Vaile.

From London to Wanganui: Mr. and Mrs. Crambie.

From London to Townsville: Miss Davidson.

From London to Gladstone: Mrs. B. S. Hannay.

From London to Brisbane: Mr. and Mrs. Best and family, Mr. H. Campbell, Mr. J. Kullmer, Miss Coates.

Other classes: To Fremantle, 82; Adelaide, 14; Melbourne, 50; Sydney, 211; Brisbane, 17; Wellington, 10; Auckland, 3; Greymouth, 7; Christchurch, 2; Lyttelton, 2; Townsville, 9; Rockhampton, 26.

EASTERN AT PORT DARWIN.

PORT DARWIN, Thursday.

The steamer Eastern arrived from southern ports on Wednesday evening, and continued her voyage to Hongkong this morning. There were 10 European passengers inward, including the S.A. Government Geologist, Mr. Brown. Mr. Brown proposes to travel overland to Tanami.

FOR THE POTATO TRADE.

The Melbourne S.S. Company's Sydney will leave Melbourne on Tuesday next for Tasmania to take up her running in the potato trade. She is due at Sydney on the following Sunday.

ALDENHAM, FROM HONGKONG, DUE TO-MORROW.

The E. and A. mail steamer Aldenham left Brisbane at noon yesterday en route from Japan and Hongkong to Sydney and Melbourne, and is due at Sydney at daylight to-morrow. She will berth at the E. and A. wharf, Circular Quay, about 8 a.m.

WATERLOO FROM CALLAO.

The four-masted barque Waterloo was reported 17 miles south-east of Newcastle at 2 p.m. yesterday. She is bound from Callao to Sydney for orders.

LAUNCH OF THE KELPIE.

Messrs. Woodleys, Ltd., launched from their building yard, Berry's Bay, yesterday, a small but powerful tug for Messrs. M'Ilwraith, M'Eacharn, and Co. Proprietary, Ltd., from designs and under the personal supervision of Mr. Walter Reeks, naval architect. The Kelpie is 70ft over all, 16ft beam, depth 7ft 3in, draft 6ft. She is very heavily built of best Australian hardwood and kauri, copper fastened and sheathed, the deck frame and bolting being quite exceptional, to meet the exigencies of her trade, which is to tow barges, hulks, and interstate steamers on the Swan River, Western Australia, to which port she will proceed when completed under her own steam. Messrs. Wildridge and Sinclair are responsible for her 150-I.H.P. compound engines, which will be fitted at once. It is expected the Kelpie will be ready to sail within a month.

INSURANCE ON THE AEON.

News was received by the last mail that the insurances held in America on the cargo of the steamer Aeon, which was wrecked at Christmas Island amounted to 53,780dols., distributed as follows:—New York, 21,404dols; San Francisco, 32,376dols.

TELEGRAPHIC SHIPPING.

NORMANTON.—Arr: March 25, Maranoa, s, from Brisbane.

CAIRNS (1400m).—Arr: March 25, Wodonga, s, from Melbourne.

FLAT-TOP ISLAND (1125m).—Arr: March 25, Peregrine, s, Marloo, s, from Sydney.

ROCKHAMPTON (920m).—Arr: March 25, Kombura, s, from Brisbane; Timaru, s, from Iron Island. Dep: March 25, Burwah, s, for Brisbane.

BUNDABERG (717m).—Arr: March 25, Wawoon, from the north.

MARYBOROUGH (680m).—Dep: March 25, Konoowarra, s, for Gladstone; Tinana, s, for Brisbane.

BRISBANE (500m).—Arr: May 25, Aldenham, s, from Japan; Wyreema, s, from Cooktown; Rockilly, s, from Richmond River; Bingera, s, from Townsville; Hector, s, Wyandra, s, from Sydney; Oswestry Grange, s, from London. Dep: March 25, Aldenham, s, for Sydney.

CAPE MORETON.—Passed: March 25, Goodwin, bound to Sydney.

TWEED HEADS (274m).—Arr: March 25, Mokau, s, at 9.50 a.m. Passed: March 25, a large 2-m steamer, at 6 a.m., north.

BYRON BAY (345m).—Arr: March 25, Durambah, at 12.20 p.m.

RICHMOND RIVER HEADS (331m).—Arr: March 25, Ramornie, s, at 8.50 a.m. Passed: Durambah, s, at 10.20 a.m., Promise, s, at 5.10 p.m., both north.

CLARENCE HEADS (300m).—Arr: March 26, Kallatina, s, at 9.40 a.m.; St. George, s, at 2.50 p.m. Passed: March 25, Ramornie, s, at 4.45 a.m., Yawata Maru, J.M.S., at 4 p.m., Asturias, R.M.S., at 4.15 p.m., Chilagoe, s, at 5.15 p.m., all north.

BELLINGER (230m).—Dep: March 25, Rosedale, s, at 10.40 a.m., for Sydney.

NAMBUCCA HEADS (223m).—Arr: March 25, Nerong, s, at 10 a.m., from Sydney.

MACLEAY RIVER HEADS (209m).—Arr: March 25, Myee, s, at 8.20 a.m. Dep: March 25, Ellerslie, s, at 10 a.m.

SMOKY CAPE (205m).—Passed: March 25, Dorrigo, s, at 11 a.m., Cooloon, s, at 9.20 a.m., both north; Rosedale, s, at 1.20 p.m., a large cargo steamer at 2.20 p.m., both south.

PORT MACQUARIE (174m).—Dep: March 25, Hastings, s, at 10.20 p.m.

TACKING POINT (169m).—Passed: March 25, Orara, s, at 4.5 p.m., north; Harbourg, s, at 1.55 p.m., Cooma, s, at 3.45 p.m., both south.

MANNING HEADS (144m).—Arr: March 25, Comboyne, s, at 9 a.m. Dep: March 25, Boambee, s, at 9.25 a.m., Burrawong, s, at 12.35 p.m., for Sydney. Passed: March 25, Ellerslie, s, at 5.30 p.m., a large str, black funnel, red and white band, at 3.30 p.m., Friendship, s, at 2.30 p.m., one of Howard Smith's strs at 3.30 p.m., all south.

CAPE HAWKE (123m).—Arr: March 25, Astral, s, at 7.15, Commonwealth, s, at 7.40 p.m., both from Sydney.

SEAL ROCKS (100m).—Passed: March 25, Boambee, s, at 12 noon, a str, like Burrawong, at 4.50 p.m., both south.

PORT STEPHENS (83m).—Arr: March 25, Hawk, s, at 8.30 a.m., Storm King, s, at 9.30 a.m. Passed: March 25, Time, s, at 6.20 a.m., Kyogle, s, at 7.30 a.m., Hastings, s, at 10.45 a.m., a full-rigged ship at 11 a.m., Hawk, s, at 11.55 a.m., Karuah, s, at 1.30 p.m., Dauntless, s, at 2 p.m., a ktch at 3.40 p.m., a small str at 5 p.m., all south; Bellinger, s, at 12.0 p.m., north.

NEWCASTLE (62m).—Arr: March 25, Beagle, s, Duckenfield, s, Eunice, s, Archer, s, Orara, s, Namoi, s, Derwent, s, Indian Monarch, s, Linda Fell, s, Ella, s, Alice, s, Kallawatta, s, Ajax, s, Galava, s, from Sydney; Time, s, from Brisbane; Hawk, s, Stormking, s, from Port Stephens; Helen Nicoll, s, Furth, s, from Sydney Dauntless, s, from the north. Dep: March 25, Stormking, s, Hawk, s, for Port Stephens; Orara, s, for Byron Bay; Beagle, s, Derwent, s, Duckenfield, s, for Sydney; Gilgabba, ktch, for Camden Haven; Moeraki, s, for Auckland, via Sydney; Koojong, s, for Adelaide; Mintaro, s, for Melbourne; Karuah, s, Alice, s, Archer, s, Helen Nicoll, s, Galava, s, Kallawatta, s, for Sydney; Time, s, for Melbourne; Kocomba, s, for New Zealand.

CATHERINE HILL BAY (48m).—Arr: March 25, Wallarah, s, at 8 a.m., Lubra, s, at 11 a.m., both from Sydney. Dep: March 25, Wallarah, s, at noon, Lubra, s, at 4 p.m., both for Sydney.

WOLLONGONG (44m).—Arr: March 25, Pareora, s, at 5.30 a.m., Malachite, s, at 6 a.m., both from Sydney; Peterborough, s, at 1 p.m., from the south. Dep: March 25, Ruahaka, scow, at 8 a.m., for the south; Pareora, s, at 1 p.m., for Sydney.

KIAMA (59m).—Arr: March 25, Kiama, s, at 4.45 p.m., from Sydney.

CROOKHAVEN HEADS (74m).—Dep: March 25, Peterborough, s, at 8.25 a.m., for Sydney.

JERVIS BAY (87m).—Passed: March 25, Bonnus, s, at 6 p.m., Paloona, s, at 2 a.m., Wollowra, s, at 8.50 a.m., Opland, s, at 2.25 p.m., all north; one of the German-Australian Company's steamers at 12.25 p.m., a steamer, yellow funnel, black top, at 2.50 p.m., both south.

ULLADULLA (105m).—Arr: March 25, Moruya, s, at 4.30 p.m., from the south. Dep: March 25, Moruya, s, at 5.30 p.m., for Sydney.

BATEMAN'S BAY (134m).—Arr: March 25, Moruya, s, at 8 a.m., from Sydney. Dep: March 25, Moruya, s, at 12.55 p.m., Coomonderry, s, at 2.30 p.m., both for Sydney.

MORUYA HEADS (141m).—Passed: March 25, a two-masted steamer at 7.45 a.m., north.

EDEN (210m).—Arr: March 25, Wakatipu, s, at 7.0 a.m., from Sydney. Dep: March 25, Rambler, yacht, at 7 a.m., for Sydney; Wyrallah, s, at 1 a.m., for Cunninghame; Wakatipu, s, at 8 a.m., for Launceston.

GREEN CAPE (218m).—Passed: March 25, Yarra, s, at 9.40 a.m., north.

GABO (238m).—Passed: March 25, Hampstead, s, at 3.25 p.m., Yarra, s, at 7.30 a.m., a steamer, yellow funnel, at 8.35 a.m., Afric, s, at 5.15 p.m., all north; Kakapo, s, at 8.30 a.m., Wakatipu, s, at 11.40 a.m., both south.

MELBOURNE (576m).—Arr: March 25, Arawatta, s, from Cooktown; Sydney, s, from Sydney; Taiyuan, s, from Hongkong; Toroa, s, from Stanley; Omah, s, from Burnie. Dep: March 25, Port Caroline, s, and Wilcannia, s, for Sydney; Armand Behic, F.M.S., for Marseilles; Encounter, H.M.S., for Adelaide.

LAUNCESTON (500m).—Arr: March 25, Loongana, s, at 6.45 a.m., from Melbourne. Dep: March 25, Loongana, s, at 6.50 p.m., for Melbourne.

DEVONPORT WEST (498m).—Arr: March 25, Glanora, s, at 2.45 p.m., from Melbourne.

ADELAIDE (1084m).—Arr: March 25, Orontes, R.M.S., and Bremen, G.M.S., from eastern States; Kyarra, s, from Western Australia; Lysglim, bqtn, from Calcutta; Buena; Karori, s, from Tasmania. Dep: March 25, Orontes, R.M.S., for London; Somerset, s, for Liverpool and London; Sultan Van Langkat, s, for Singapore.

PORT PIRIE (1238m).—Dep: March 25, Myra Fell, s, for Sydney.

FREMANTLE (2460m).—Arr: March 25, Omrah, R.M.S., at 7 a.m., from London; Yongala, s, at 6.15 a.m., from Adelaide; Paris, bq, at 3.30 p.m., from Albany. Dep: March 25, Omrah, R.M.S., at 1.20 p.m., and Monaro, s, at 4 p.m., for the eastern States; Breverie, bq, at 11.20 a.m., for the United Kingdom.

NEW ZEALAND SHIPPING.

WELLINGTON (1220m).—Dep: March 25, Athenic, s, for London.

AUCKLAND (1281m).—Dep: March 25, Cape Breton, s, for London.

KAIPARA HEADS.—Arr: March 25, Hazel Craig, bq, from Newcastle. Dep: March 25, Helga, bqtn, for Sydney.

HOKIANGA.—Dep: March 25, Inga, s, for Sydney.

AUSTRALIAN WEATHER.

THE "HERALD" MAP.



The high pressure system which on Wednesday occupied the whole of the Tasman Sea and eastern districts of Queensland and New South Wales has contracted considerably in a north-easterly direction. That portion of the State which it covered on Wednesday is now under the influence of an Antarctic depression, which during the past 24 hours has expanded northwards from Tasmania. The anti-cyclone over Southern Australia on Wednesday has also tended north-eastward about 300 miles, and its centre lies over the Southern Ocean to the south of Eucla.

Ocean Forecast.—Fresh winds and seas in Straits and west of Tasmania; southerly squalls along the New South Wales coast.

METEOROLOGICAL REPORTS.

Commonwealth Weather Bureau, Thursday.

Sydney rainfall, average annual for 50 years, 48.28.

Average rainfall for 51 years, from January 1, to end of February, 818 points.

Total rainfall from January 1, 1909, to date, 991 points.

Total for corresponding period of 1908, 1187 points.

Barometer, at 9 a.m., 29.792; at 3 p.m., 29.695; at 9 p.m., 29.825.

Temperature, at 9 a.m., 76; at 3 p.m., 79; at 9 p.m., 72.5; maximum 88.9, minimum 65.

Humidity, at 9 a.m., 65; at 3 p.m., 59; at 9 p.m., 74.

Wind.—Greatest velocity, 20 miles from west-southwest.

RAINFALL REGISTRATIONS.

New South Wales (for the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m.).—Adelong 3 points, Cootamundra 2, Delegate 3, Gabo Island 3, Gundagai 4, Henty 2, Junee 2, Kiama 5, Murrumburrah 2, Pambula 2, Tumut 3, Wagga Wagga 3, Yass 2. Additional at 9 p.m.: Gulgong 41, Strathfield 4, Dubbo 3.

RAINFALL DISTRIBUTIONS.

New South Wales (for the 24 hours ended 9 a.m.).—Very light and scattered rain recorded on southern slopes and extreme south-east.

Victoria.—Very light and scattered rain recorded throughout.

South Australia.—Very light rain recorded at isolated places in southern parts.

Western Australia.—Light to moderate rain recorded in extreme south-west and along southern coast, also at Wyndham.

Queensland.—Light to heavy rain recorded few places extreme south-east and on far northern Peninsula and coastal districts between Cairns and Broad Sound.

QUEENSLAND RAINFALL.

The following are the principal rainfall records in Queensland for the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m. on Thursday:—

Northern Division: Thursday Island 325 points, Cardwell 30, Bowen 20, Mackay 81, Cape York 254, M'Donnell 54, Clarke River 22, Charters Towers 12, Ravenswood 43, Mount M'Connell 43, Halfe's Creek 80, Bloomsbury 75, Cape Bowling Green 132, Clare 50, Eton 28, Flat Top Island 61, Halifax 202, Haughton Valley 22, Ingham 250, Inkerman 62, Nebo 27, St. Lawrence 20, Ayrshire Downs 21.

Southern Division: Tewantin 12 points, Beenleigh 23, Cooran 30, Engelsburg 16, Palmwoods 48, Woombye 28. Brisbane and suburbs: From 23 to 72 points.

SYNOPSIS.

New South Wales (for the 24 hours ended at 9 a.m.).—Showery at a few places on southern highlands, and at Bega and Camden on the South Coast; cloudy to overcast and threatening conditions prevailed over the southern half of the State, and fine and clear in the northern; sultry at many places. Very light and scattered rainfall has been recorded on the southern slopes and in the extreme south-east corner.

CONDITIONS AT 9 A.M.

New South Wales (for the 24 hours ended 9 a.m.).—Showery at a few places on southern highlands and at Bega and Candelo; cloudy to overcast and threatening over the southern half of the State; fine and clear in the northern.

Victoria.—Fine but cloudy to overcast and threatening throughout, and showers on the south-west coast.

South Australia.—Generally overcast to gloomy in agricultural areas, partially cloudy on west coast, clear north of Port Augusta.

Western Australia.—Fine and clear to cloudy from the Murchison northwards, generally cloudy to overcast elsewhere.

Queensland.—Cloudy to gloomy on parts of coast north from Mackay; raining at Thursday Island, elsewhere mostly fine.

Tasmania.—Raining on west coast, elsewhere fine.

BAROMETERS AT 9 A.M.

Carnarvon 29.85, Perth 29.80, Esperance 29.88, Eucla 29.90, Streaky Bay 29.98, Adelaide 30.00, Robe 29.98, Portland 30.03, Melbourne 30.08, Wilson's Promontory 29.75, Gabo Island 30.78, Cape St. George 30.74, Newcastle 30.80; Port Macquarie 30.86, Clarence Heads 29.96, Brisbane 29.96, Rockhampton 29.92, Mackay 29.88, Cooktown 29.80.

TEMPERATURES.

Perth, maximum 85, minimum 61; Adelaide, 77, 62; Melbourne, 70, 52; Brisbane, 83, 65; Hobart, 70, 50.

RIVER REPORTS.

The heights above summer level of the inland rivers at 9 a.m. on March 25 were as follow:—Albury, 9in; Balranald, 3ft 4in; Bingara, 1; Boggabilla, 10in, f; Booligal, 5ft 4in, r; Bourke, 6ft 3in, f; Brewarrina, 5ft 5in, f; Collarenebri, 1; Condobolin, 9in; Cowra, 11in; Deniliquin, below summer level; Dubbo, 1; Euabalong, 3ft 6in; Euston, 6ft 8in; Goodooga, 1; Gunnedah, 1; Hay, 8in; Hillston, 3ft 9in, f; Kempsey, 1; Louth, 10ft 2in, s; Manilla, 1; Menindie, 6ft 8in; Moama, 6ft 9in; Mogil Mogil, 1ft 1in, f; Moulamein, below summer level; Mungundi, 3ft 6in, f; Narrandera, 5ft 11in; Pooncarie, 5ft, r; Tilpa, 6ft 8in, r; Tocumwal, 10in; Wagga Wagga, 11in; Wentworth, below summer level; Wilcannia, 8ft 5in, r; Yetman, 1; Barwon River, at Walgett, 7ft 1in, f; Namoi River, at Walgett, 3ft 1in, f.

Note.—R, rising; f, falling; s, stationary; l, low.

COASTAL REPORTS AT 8 P.M.

Tweed Heads, N, light, fine, sea smooth; Byron Bay, NW, light, fine, sea moderate; Ballina, N, light, hazy, sea smooth; Port Macquarie, NE, light, cloudy, sea smooth; Manning Heads, NE, fresh, fine, sea smooth; Seal Rocks, NNE, cloudy, sea smooth; Port Stephens, NE, light, raining, sea smooth; Newcastle, variable, cloudy, sea slight; Lake Macquarie Heads, N, light, heavy storm, sea smooth; Catherine Hill Bay, N, light, heavy storm, sea smooth; Barranjoey, NE, light, cloudy, sea smooth; South Head, NNW, light, hazy, sea slight; Wollongong, SW, light, cloudy, sea smooth; Kiama, NE, light, fine, sea smooth; Crookhaven Heads, calm, cloudy, sea smooth; Jervis Bay, SW, light, cloudy, sea smooth; Ulladulla, W, light, cloudy, sea smooth; Bateman's Bay, SW, light, cloudy, sea smooth; Moruya, S, moderate, cloudy, sea slight; Eden, S, fresh, gloomy, cloudy, sea moderate; Green Cape, S, moderate, gloomy, cloudy, sea moderate; Gabo Island, WSW, fresh, gloomy, misty, sea moderate.

FORECASTS AT 9 P.M.

New South Wales (for the 24 hours ended 9 p.m.).—A cool westerly to south-westerly change is spreading over the whole State, dispelling the late warm conditions. Northwards a few scattered thunderstorms and squalls.

Western Australia.—Generally fine and warm; cloudy over the goldfields and southern areas, and showers on the south coast; easterly to north-easterly winds.

South Australia.—Cloudy over the southern and central districts, with light showers, more especially to the south-east; fine and hot in north, winds south-easterly inland, but cool south on coast.

Queensland.—Cloudy to showery along parts of coast, with south-easterly winds, otherwise generally fine, with north-easterly winds; occasional thunder.

Victoria.—Cool, unsettled, with more showers on and south of ranges, improving later; westerly to south-westerly winds, fresh on coast.

Tasmania.—Cool and cloudy, more rain, heaviest over western districts; westerly to southerly winds, strong on west coast.

ASTRONOMICAL MEMORANDA FOR MARCH 26.

Sun rises 6.2, sets 6; Moon, 10.51 a.m., 8.58 p.m.; Mercury, 4.14 a.m., 5.10 p.m.; Venus, 5.21 a.m., 5.0 p.m.; Mars, 12.2 a.m., 2.20 p.m.; Jupiter, 4.28 p.m., 3.52 a.m.; Saturn, 6.34 a.m., 6.28 p.m.

High Water at Fort Denison at 11.29 a.m.

Full Moon, April 6, at 6.28 a.m.

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MONETARY AND COMMERCIAL.

STOCKS AND SHARES.

A large volume of business was effected on 'Change yesterday, chiefly at late prices. Balmain New Ferry eased 1/, Howard Smith (pref.) 1/. Port Jackson Steam rose /9, Colonial Sugar 5/, and Richardson and Wrench eased /3; other sales being at late rates.

The following sales were reported:—Morning: Sargent's, Limited, 22/6 net, three months 22/6 net; Richardson and Wrench, 13/9; Fresh Food and Ice, 10/6; Howard Smith (20/ paid, ordinary), 46/; Q. N. Bank, inscribed deposits, 16/6; Colonial Sugar, £46/5/; Goodlet and Smith, 17/3; Tooth and Co., 44/6; Balmain New Ferry, 36/; Port Jackson Steam, 47/; N.S.W. 4 per cent. Treasury Bills, due May 1, 1910, £100/5/; Adelaide Steamship, 30/. Afternoon: Sargent's, Ltd., 22/6 net; Union Bank, £63; Australian Newspaper, 13/3; United Insurance, £5/16/3; North Coast Steam, 26/6; Howard Smith (paid), 20/, preference 20/10½; Union Bank, £63.

Closing quotations were:—

Company.	Amount of Shares.	Shares Paid Up.	Last Div., Per Annum.	Last Sale.	Buyer.	Seller.	Yield to Investor.
STOCK.							
N.S.W. F. S., due 1912	..	..	3	95	94½	95½	3½
Do., due 1912	..	..	3½	98½	..	98½	3½
Do., due 1912	..	..	4	100/10/	100	101	3½
Do., due 1915	..	..	3½	99	98½	..	..
Do., due 1921	..	..	3½	98/10/	..	99	..
Do., due 1923	..	..	3	..	88	90	..
Do., due 1924-5	..	..	3	88/10/	..	91	..
Do., due 1909	..	..	4	100	..	..	..
Do., Act 1873	..	..	4	109	107	109	3½
Do., Deb., 1908	..	..	4	..	107	109	..
D. T. Bills, do	..	..	3½	99/10/	99	..	..
Ditto, 1910	..	..	4	100½	100	100½	3½
N.Z. Deb., 1913	..	..	4	100	..	..	..
Ditto, 1921	..	..	4	101	..	102	3½
Q. Deb., 1913	..	..	4	101½	..	..	..
Q. Tr. Bills	..	..	4	100/40/	100	..	..
W. A. Insc.	..	..	4	101	..	101½	3½
Ditto, 1922	..	..	3½	..	..	..	..
Aus. Gas D., '22	..	..	4	102	100	..	..
City Syd. Deb.	..	..	4	102	100	..	..
Col. Sug. D., '14	..	..	5	106	..	106	4½
BANKS.							
Australasia	40	40	14	112	113½	113½	5½
City	10	8	3	60/	56/	62/6	5
Ditto, new	10	8	3	56/	50/	57/6	5
Com. of Syd.	25	12½	10	29	29	29½	..
Com. of Aust.	10/	10/	..	10/	..	..	..
Do., pref.	10	10	3	5/12/	..	..	5½
N.S.W.	20	20	10	47/3/6	47½	47½	4½
New Zealand	6⅔	3⅓	10	..	8¼	..	3½
N. Queensland	7	2	5	27/6	27/6	..	..
Nat. of Aus.	8	5	5	100/	99/6	5	5
Ditto, pref.	10	10	5	11/4/	11½	..	3½
Q'land National	5	3	..	16/6	..	16/	..
Royal of Q.	9	6⅔	90/6	5/2/	96	5¼	6½
Union	75	25	14	63	62½	63½	5½
DEPOSITS.							
A.J.S. Bank—Class B	..	..	3	11/3	11/3	..	4½
Class B, 1912	..	..	3	11/3	11/9	..	..
Class B, 1917	..	..	3	10/3	10/3	11/	5½
Ditto, Inscr.	..	..	3½	10/9	10/6	11/	..
Com. of Aus. Assets	..	..	3	17/6	17/6	..	5½
E. S. and A. d.	..	..	4	18/	17/9	18/	..
Ditto, pref.	..	..	3	12/3	12/	12/6	..
Ditto, def.	..	..	4½	18/1	17/6	18/	..
Q. Nat.	..	..	3½	16/6	16/	16/9	4½
STEAM.							
Balmain Ferry	1	1	10	36/	36/	37/	5½
Howard Smith††	1	1	15	46/	45/9	46/	6½
Pref.††	1	1	5	20/	20/9	21/	5
Illawarra	1	15	..	18/	..	18/6	..
Newcastle	1	1	6	25/3	24/	..	4½
North Coast	1	17/6	8	26/6	26/6	26/9	5½
Port Jackson	1	15/	10	47/	46/6	47/6	3½
Syd. Ferries	1	1	15	65/	62/6	65/6	4½
Ditto	1	1	10	..	..	..	..
INSURANCE.							
A. M. Fire	1	15/	14	44/6	44/	..	4½
Col. Mut. Fire	1	1	20½	55/	54/	..	7½
Mer. Mutual	1	6	14½	17/3	17/	17/3	5
New Zealand	10	2	15	73/	78/	..	3½
Queensland	1	10/	8	18/3	18/	..	4½
United	10	2½	12½	5/16/3	6½	6½	..
COAL.							
Bellambi	1	1	17½	46/6	45	46/6	7½
East Greta	1	1	10	28/	28/	28/9	7
Heddon Greta	1	1	..	5/	5/	..	..
Hetton a	5	5	6	66/	63/	67/	8½
Metrop., Trust	..	..	..	..	..	1/6	..
Ditto, pref.	1	1	8	21/6	21/	..	7½
Ditto, 2nd pref.	1	1	10	14/6	10/	13/	..
Mt. Kembla	10	10	..	25*	24	26	..
Newcastle	11	10	5	6¼	..	6¼	7½
North Bulli	1	1	10	20/	..	22/	6½
South Greta	10/	10/	..	18/3	13/	..	..
Stockton	1	1	..	1/6	1/6	..	..
Ditto, new	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
Vale of Clwydd	1	1	10	24/6	20/*	..	8½
Wallsend	10	10	20/	25½	24½	25	8
Waratah	6	..	..	..	1/6	..	..
W. and Blk. Is.	1	20	..	9/9	8/6	9/6	..
Ditto, new	1	18/	..	6/	6/6	..	..
Ditto, pref.	1	1	..	25/3	23/	25/3	..
Caledonian	..	..	..	..	11½	12½	..
GAS.							
Albury	1	12/6	10	21/6	22/	23/	5½
Australian	6	6	15	18/18/6	18/18/6	..	4½
Do., new	6	6	15	11/7/6	11½	12	4
Char. Towers	10/	10/	10/	14/9	..	..	6½
Goulburn	1	1	8	61/	57/	61/	5½
Grafton	1	1	8	22/6	20/	..	5
Kat. and Leura	1	1	..	24/	24/	..	..
Maitland	5	5	7	..	8	..	5½
Manly	1	1	9½	42/6	42/6	45/	..
Ditto, new	1	5/	9½	25/	27/	30/	..
Mudgee	1	1	7	24/	24/	..	6½
Newcastle	2	2	15	6¼	6¼	6½	4½
North Shore	1	1	8	41/6	41/9	42/6	3½
BREWERIES.							
C. and W. Bros.	1	1	4	10/	10/3	10/9	8
Perkins'	15/	15/	20	28/6	28/6	30/	7½
Toohey's	16/	16/	5	13/	..	13/	6½
Tooth's	1	1	10	44/6	44/	44/6	4½
MISCEL'N'S.							
Aarons'	15/	10/	8	4/1	4/10	5/8	12½
A. Taylor, Co.	1	1	10	24/4½	24/3	..	8½
Aust. Hat Mills	1	1	..	..	20/	..	..
Aust. News	1	1	..	18/6	18/6	14/	..
B.H.W. Sup.	15/	15/	10	21/11	..	25/8	6½
Burns, Philp	1	1	10	42/6	43/	44/6	4½
Do., new issue	1	10/	10	21/3	21/6	..	4½
Col. Sugar	20	20	10	46/5/	46½	46½	4½
Dalgety and Co	20	5	7	6	5¾	6¼	6½
Dunl. Tyre pref.	1	1	7	21/	..	..	6½
Emu B. Rail.	1	1	..	4/10½	..	..	..
Ditto, pref., B.	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
E. Rich and C.	1	1	5	14/6	..	16/6	6½
Emu P. Gravel	1	10/	6½	16/	15/	16/	..
F. F. and Ice††	12/	10	6	10/6	10/6	11/3	5½
Goodlet and Smith	15/	15/	8	17/3	17/	17/6	7
H. M'Kenzie	1	1	8	21/	..	18/	7½
Ditto, pref.	1	1	..	18/	17/6	..	..
Hotel Metropole	1	1	6	25/	25/	27/6	4½
Ditto, pref.	1	1	6	1/1/3	..	..	4½
M. Clark, ord.	1	1	8	22/3	22/	22/6	7½
Ditto, pref.	10	10	6	10/17/6	10½	11½	5½
Melb. Tram	1	10	..	20/1½	..	40/	..
Mont de Piete	1	1	10	40/6	40/6	..	7½
Mort's Dock	1	1	6	20/	20/	..	6
Ditto, pref.	1	1	6	22/6	22/	..	5½
Paul and Gray	1	1	10	27/	27/	27/6	7½
Perm. Trust	5	2/6	10	5/6	5/	5/3	5
Perpet. Trust	10	5/	10	12/6	12/6	12/9	4
Pitt, Son, & B.	1	11/	10	15/9	16/	..	7
Q. Meat Ex.	1	1	..	..	..	..	..
R. and Wrench	1	1	5	13/9	13/6	14/6	7½
Silv. Tram	1	1	40	81/6	81/	81/6	9½
Syd. Cyclorama	1	1	5	15/6	14/	17/	6½
Syd. Exchange	10	10	6	12½	12	..	..
Syd. Hydraulic	1	1	10	28/	28/	..	7
Ditto, con.	1	10/	10	13/9	13/6	14/3	7½
S. Hy. & G.E.	1	15/	15	26/9	..	25/	8½
W. H. Soul	1	1	10	47/	46/	..	4½
LAND and BD.							
Com. B. and I.	10	10	..	2/6	..	2/6	..
Ind. Prov.	10	20	6	19	..	..	6½
Interc. Inv.	1	15/	12½	20/	28/6	..	6½
Newc. B. and L.	..	..	6	..	..	..	..
Syd. Prov. L.	..	6/7	20	3	..	..	..

† Where dividends are interim the yield is based on a year's distribution, otherwise on the last half-yearly one. †† Ex dividend. ** Ex interest. y. Ex rights. M. 6 months. * Plus annual payments of 16/8 per cent. s Ex. div. and bonus. a 3 months.

INTERSTATE EXCHANGES.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

Sales:—Carmichael-Bradford Process, 7/9.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

To-day's Exchange sales were:—Victorian 4 per cent., 1923, £108/5/; ditto 3 per cent., 1920, £85/15/3; stock, 1917, £85/15/; Bank Australasia, £112/10/, £112; Commercial Bank, 10/; Goldsbrough, Mort, 42/6; Metropolitan Gas, £10/17/; Silverton Tram, 80/.

FINANCIAL.

ALCOHOL AND LIFE ASSURANCE.

Life assurance is regarded in these days so much as an unmixed blessing that the conjunction with it of alcohol, even as the headline of an article, seems repugnant. Yet, sad to say, the association of the two is inevitable; for alcohol is found on the average to curtail longevity. We are accustomed to hear on every hand that "drink is the country's greatest curse." That may be true in more senses than one; but it has always seemed that the intention of those who make use of the assertion in a physiological sense would be more accurately expressed by the formula that "the abuse of intoxicants" is the real curse. For there are marked differences of opinion, amongst medical men and others, with regard to the advantages or disadvantages of the mere use of ardent spirits. Opposition to the universal condemnation of alcohol under any circumstances—which is the gospel of the total abstainer—was the keynote of a paper read the other day to the Glasgow Insurance and Actuarial Society by Dr. Ebenezer Duncan; and, whatever may be thought generally of his conclusions, there can be no doubt that they give timely expression to an important phase of thought. In common with that of all medical men who have given mature consideration to the subject, Dr. Duncan's opinion is emphatic in favour of strict moderation in the use of intoxicants; and to many, no doubt, even of those who class themselves as "moderate drinkers," the limits which he would impose will appear somewhat rigidly drawn. But, so far from abjuring the use of stimulants by the average mortal, the doctor professes to see clearly many advantages in it—within the narrow lines which he suggests. While he fully recognises—as he could not fail to do—the disastrous consequences of excess in the great majority of cases, his eyes are wide open to the medical value of alcohol in many crises of life. As to this, there can, we think, be no question whatever; thousands of instances could easily be adduced where the stimulant, far from hastening the end, has proved itself invaluable as a means of resuscitation. It must be admitted that that fact is a strong argument against the exclusion of alcohol: but, at the same time, it may be objected with truth that it proves nothing in favour of its use as a habit. It saves life, no doubt, in emergencies which only occasionally present themselves; the question is, whether it is beneficial as a practice in daily life. Dr. Duncan is of opinion that, in strict moderation, it is; and he gives reasons for that conclusion. To the average adult, more or less exposed to business or domestic worries, he values it as an important, if not an essential, aid to vitality.

ABSTAINERS' VERSUS GENERAL LIVES.

The lecturer made no pretence of ignoring the argument based on the contrast shown between the profits realised by total abstainers' lives and general lives. Statistics have, no doubt, proved the superiority of the former in the experience of offices which transact both classes. But it would be impossible to treat as frivolous the explanations vouchsafed. The abstainers, of course, as a selected class, are homogeneous; and, although it may happen that some of them are reclaimed drunkards, there is at all events some guarantee for their future. On the other hand, despite any precautions that may be taken, it is inevitable that the non-abstainers should be to a greater or less extent a promiscuous body. They are pledged to nothing when admitted as entrants; and, while it may be hoped that the bulk of them will observe moderation, it is to be feared that as a rule a considerable percentage of them will place but little restraint upon themselves. They are accepted lives, which cannot now be rejected. It is this percentage which, as Dr. Duncan maintains, vitiates the entire section, and exhibits it is a deplorable contrast to the abstainers' section. The doctor even holds that "if we could eliminate from the general section of our assurance offices all those persons who exceeded the physiological limit in the use of alcohol, the results shown by the general sections would be quite as good as, or possibly . . . better, than the results shown in the abstainers' section." It may be so; but to some people alcohol has shown itself to be a deadly and insidious enemy. It becomes more and more formidable after every encouragement. The lives of many men, and, alas, many women, show that the door cannot be left ajar with safety, the only remedy being to keep it closed and bolted. For this reason we more than doubt the practicability of Dr. Duncan's suggested "real temperance section," in which the policy-holders should declare annually that they did not exceed the daily ounce of alcohol to which he would limit them. At the same time, the doctor's presentation of the "moderate drinker's" case is of undoubted interest.

CIVIL SERVICE CO-OPERATIVE SOCIETY.

The half-yearly report of the above society for the six months ended January 31 was presented to shareholders yesterday, under the presidency of Mr. W. R. Beaver. It shows that the cash receipts for the period amounted to £125,908, being £10,777 in excess of those of any previous half-year. The board recommends that the bonus on shareholders' cash purchases be 2/3 in the £. The usual dividend is recommended. The stock was valued at £41,782, against £44,524 a year ago. The following comparison may be made:—

	Half-year ended Jan. 31, 1907.	1908.	1909.
Gross profit	£25,823	£27,720	£31,830
Working expenses	15,469	17,200	19,862
Written off furniture, etc.	359	317	391
Written off extension premises	157	203	209
Discount to shareholders	183	180	192
Net profit	9,634	9,802	11,045
To reserve fund	1,000	1,000	1,000
Dividend per cent	10	10	10
Amount of dividend	694	694	694
Bonus to shareholders on cash purchases	7,966	8,688	9,695
Forward	346	470	574

The paid-up capital of the society is £13,884, and the reserve fund amounts to £28,750. The report and balance-sheet were adopted.

INTERESTING BANK LITIGATION.

The Queensland National Bank recently stated a special case on a petition of right before the King's Bench Division with regard to the liability of the bank to pay British income tax on interest earned on its interminable deposit stock, payable in the United Kingdom. Mr. Justice Channell, in giving judgment, said the question was from what source these sums were paid, and how to apply the law to the particular facts. This bank had a branch in the United Kingdom, and that branch had a separate balance which the officers could draw on, but its funds were a part of the entire concern. The greater part of the business done through the London branch was in the nature of a remittance business. People paid money into the Queensland office to be remitted to England, and in the same way people paid money into the English branch to be remitted to Queensland. Those sums were not, of course, remitted in cash, but by bills. There was in England a very large balance against the head office. There was a kind of profit and loss account. But it was not a profit and loss account of the branch in itself, but of the whole concern. There was a cash account of payments and receipts, and the whole thing he thought must be dealt with as one concern; and it seemed to follow that the interest on the interminable stock was a charge on the profits of the whole concern. The question was how far the branch was bound to account to the Crown for the interest to be deducted from the stockholders in paying them. It paid interest to all stockholders whose stock was registered for payment of interest in the United Kingdom. The Queensland office paid corresponding interest to the stockholders there. The Act provided that income tax should in most cases be paid by deductions. It was a convenient way of getting in the taxes. If this bank was resident in the United Kingdom it would be able to get at the deduction when paying out the interest to persons. That would be a simple problem; but when they had a taxpayer resident out of the country, and who did not pay interest on the whole of his profits, but only on the portion earned in that country, they had a difficult problem to deal with. Here it was said that the entire sum which the business earned in the United Kingdom—that was the entire profits—was taxable for income tax. He did not think that that was so. In his Lordship's opinion he must make a declaration that the bank was not entitled to make the deduction claimed.

AUSTRALIAN AGRICULTURAL COMPANY.

The report of the above company covers the year ended December 31, 1908. It shows a net profit of £113,685, which, with £9397 brought forward, made a total of £123,082. After deducting debenture interest and income tax, amounting together to £6798, there remains the sum of £116,284 to deal with, from which the directors propose to add £10,000 to the reserve fund, to pay a bonus to the staff which will amount to about £2500, and to recommend the payment of an interim dividend of £2 per share, free of income tax. The expenditure on capital account during the year in connection with the company's Aberdare and Cessnock railway, for duplicating a portion of the line and other improvements rendered necessary by the increased traffic of the railway amounted approximately to £12,655. This sum will be provided from the unexpended capital shown in the balance-sheet issued with the annual report in July last. Regarding subdivision, the report says: A small portion of the Warrah Estate, comprising 7700 acres, has been subdivided, and was sold by auction in November last at an average price of £5 16s 9d per acre for farm lots, and a few village lots at satisfactory prices. The object of this sale was to establish a reliable standard of value for the estate in case of compulsory resumption by the Government under the Closer Settlement Acts. Further subdivisional sales may be necessary from time to time to satisfy the Government authorities, who, it is understood, prefer private owners to dispose of their land for closer settlement to resuming it themselves. The prospects of the current year are, on the whole, considered favourable as regards the stock department. The wool shorn last year, and which comes into the current year's accounts, is reported as being of good length, with soundness of staple, and comparatively free from seeds and burr, and the weight of fleece was above the average. It has all been sold, and has realised upwards of £42,000. As regards the coal trade, the outlook, as far as the interstate trade is concerned, may be considered fairly good. The foreign trade, however, is in a depressed state owing to the large stocks of coal on hand in the various foreign ports, and no immediate improvement is to be expected. The price of coal remains at 11/ per ton, the same price as last year.

AUSTRALIAN PASTORAL COMPANY.

The report of the above company is for the year ended June 30 last. It states that the revenue account for the year shows a credit of £164,727. The management charges, shearing expenses, rental, rabbit prevention, etc., amount to £84,793, leaving £79,934, and adding to this the £3843 balance from last account, and allowing for reorganisation expenses, there is £83,423 available. Of this amount the directors have carried £40,000 to reserve, and they recommend a dividend of 6 per cent. on the consolidated ordinary stock, absorbing £37,960. A balance of £5473 will remain to be carried forward. The directors are glad to be able to say that the rabbit pest has been kept in bounds by the subdivision of paddocks with rabbit-proof fencing and by poisoning, but this plague will continue to necessitate an annual heavy expenditure. The season has been an excellent one, there being ample grass and water for the increased number of stock now on the stations owned by the company. Full advantage was taken of the high prices for stock ruling during the season under review, and considerable sales were made at very satisfactory prices; since then, however, the market value of stock has fallen considerably. The wool market has recovered to a great extent from the serious fall which occurred towards the end of the company's last financial year, and present prices are satisfactory.

NOTES AND COMMENTS.

According to the Government Statistician in the first eight months of the financial year the State revenue has diminished by £512,931, or 5.4 per cent.

In the same period the public expenditure increased by £619,125, or 7.8 per cent.

An aggregate backward movement to the amount of £1,132,056 has thus taken place since July 1 last.

Imports into the State last month show a decrease of £398,158, or nearly 13 per cent., as compared with those of the corresponding portion of last year.

Most of the shrinkage, however, lay in interstate imports, the shrinkage in the oversea trade reaching only £100,000.

Oversea exports in February underwent a reduction of £773,760, or nearly 25 per cent.

Among the most noteworthy decreases in oversea exports were:—Wool, £710,072; butter, £58,858; and coal, £59,306.

As against these decreases, there was an increase of £198,536 in the oversea exports of breadstuffs.

Exports of merchandise showed a shrinkage of £697,671, and gold one of £76,089.

Mr. J. Russell French, president of the Institute of Bankers of New South Wales, will deliver his inaugural presidential address before that body this evening at the callroom of the Sydney Stock Exchange.

From the National Bank of Australasia, Limited, we have received a tasteful souvenir of the jubilee of that institution.

The Mutual Life and Citizens' Assurance Company, Limited, has posted to policyholders the annual bonus certificates for the year 1908. The reversionary bonuses for the year amount to about £190,000, representing in cash £101,264. 63,900 envelopes containing the certificates were posted yesterday at the General Post Office.

COMMERCIAL.

THE MARKETS.

Business, as a whole, was quiet. The grocery houses, however, were doing excellent distributing trade, and some of them at least are inclined to regard this month as one of the best they have had at any time. Tea was inducing more concern, although the auctions did not reveal any special tendencies. Oil business was steady, linseed and castor being the subject of more inquiry. Heavy metal lines were somewhat slow, although nettings seemed to be in fair demand. Distributing lots of first-grade English went out at £27/10/, and of 36 x 1½ x 18 second-grade English at £15/10/. American barbed were sold in distributing lots at £15/10/ and £16/2/6, 12 and 14 gauges respectively. Plain fencing wires were steady at the prices quoted below. Good demand was reported for wire nails at the established rates. Sheet zinc was placed at £29, and perforated zinc at 3/ per sheet. In view of the arrival of the Itonus, to be followed closely by the Ituida, packs were easier, and were offering ex the first ship at 2/6, and branbags at 4/1. Chapman sacks were neglected, and are not likely to be heard much of again until the opening of the new season. This year buying from Calcutta on account of next season's requirements is apparently being postponed till later than usual. In past years a few thousand bales have generally been bought by this time; but this year no orders of consequence have yet been placed. On the other hand, there seems every prospect of a considerable addition to the wheat area being made throughout Australia. Reports from the New South Wales wheat belt are to the effect that the land is turning up like cheese. Many new ploughs have gone out this season, and it is reasonable to infer that they are not being bought for ornament. Wheat is strong at 4/9, but little business is passing, while just now some of the hardware houses are doing their best to enjoy the Customs authorities' most recent joke. The ordinary invoices for American cartridges (duty 20 per cent.) are no longer good for acceptance, it seems, and instead duty is being charged on the New York distributing prices. As this is tantamount to raising the import to something over 100 per cent., which, as Euclid says, is absurd. There is very small movement in flour, owing to bakers' requirements being well supplied for some time ahead. In the general produce markets all departments were quiet.

BREADSTUFFS.

While the majority of buyers were unwilling to go beyond 4/9 for wheat, business was done late in the day on country account at 4/9½. The disposition of the larger holders was to avoid immediate sales, believing that the market will yet go more in sellers' favour. The keenest demand at the moment is coming from country millers.

Flour business continued slow. The association prices of £11 and £10/17/6 stood unaltered. Parcels of good country flour were offering at £9/15/.

At Darling Harbour yesterday 369 tons of wheat and 185 tons of flour were manifested to arrive.

WHEAT LOADINGS AND STACKS.

The wheat despatches from country stations for the week ended March 20 was 93,183 bags, 67,248 being from the Southern, 8078 from the Western, and 17,862 from the Southern lines.

The stacks at stations on March 20 totalled 833,591 bags, distributed as follows:—

Station.	No. of Bags.	Station.	No. of bags.
Stockinbingal	7,719	Corowa	36,483
Temora	61,801	Old Junee	12,365
Quandary	1,570	Marrar	12,100
Ariah Park	7,533	Coolamon	66,112
Beckom	3,758	Ganmain	44,659
Gidginbung	5,977	Matong	3,125
Reefton	3,566	Berrigan	36,811
Barmedman	80	Finley	6,141
Wyalong	200	Wellington	6,603
Illabo	118	Geurie	3,116
Bomen	3,500	Parkes	24,276
Uranquinty	15,029	Bogan Gate	225
The Rock	11,512	Cowra	13,018
Lockhart	29,722	Greenthorpe	12,000
Henty	97,397	Grenfell	2,000
Culcairn	22,000	Attunga	120
Gerogery	25,000	Manilla	15,000
Walla Walla	13,615	Curlewis	130
Burrumbuttock	16,500	Darling Island	109,224
Brocklesby	43,449		
Balldale	48,701	Total	833,591
Hopefield	11,521		

These are bags of mixed sizes—probably in the proportion of three Chapman's to one old standard. At the corresponding period of last year the stacks embraced 621,614 four-bushel bags.

GENERAL MERCHANDISE.

TEA.

According to private advices quality and selection generally were inferior at the Colombo sale on Wednesday. For common kinds generally the market was firm, while useful medium kinds realised full rates. Buying was general for the world. London market was also cabled firm for all teas. On spot there better inquiry was noted for teas generally. Private business included fair sales of Ceylon at from /7½ to /11½, and in Indians at /5½ to /6.

Messrs. Alfred Harvey and Co., on account of Claude Hes and Co., offer a catalogue at auction on Tuesday next.

FISH.

Scroll salmon, 9/9 tails, 10/3 flats.

Karluk Horseshoe.—7/3 to 7/6, according to parcel.

Salt Salmon.—In barrels, /4¾; in half-barrels, /5.

Sardines.—Tref.'s quarters, 3/9 to 3/10½; halves, 6/ to 6/3, according to parcel; ordinary quarters, 2/6 for 17 mm. tins, and 2/7 to 2/9 for 22 mm. tins, ordinary halves, 4/ to 4/6.

Smoked Sardines.—3/6 to 4/ for quarters, and 6/ to 7/ for halves.

Lobsters.—10/ (South Australia).

Kennett Oysters.—5/.

Herrings.—Leading brands, fresh, 4/10½; other brands, down to 4/6; herrings in tomatoes, 5/10½ to 6/. Kippers, 6/1 to 6/4½.

Cod.—/5; ling, /5 to /5½.

Whitebait.—10/ to 10/6.

EASTERN GOODS.

Sago and tapioca were dull of sale. It was considered that, in respect to tapioca, the bottom had been reached. Split peas were firmer, consequent upon the shortage of supplies. Other lines were somewhat stationary.

Ruling rates for the trade were:—

Rice: Best Japan, £22 to £22/10/ per ton; Rangoon, £19 in bond; locally dressed, £18 to £20/10/ per ton.

Sago: £13 to £13/10/ per ton.

Tapioca: £16 per ton.

Pearl Barley: 14/9 to 15/ per cwt.

Arrowroot: Leading, £28/10/.

Split Peas: 16/ per cwt.

Seeds: Canary, 13/6 per cwt; hemp, 21/ per cwt; rape 23/ per cwt; linseed, 17/6 per cwt in small parcels.

Spices: Cloves 1/ per lb; nutmegs, /10 per lb; mace, 2/ per lb; pimento, /8 per lb; caraway seeds, /9 per lb.

CHEMICALS.

Rosin.—G grade, £8/10/ to £8/15/ per ton parcels; small lots, about 5/ extra. N grade (parcels), £13/5/ to £13/10/; small lots, £13/15/ per ton.

Cream of Tartar.—/8 bulk, to /9 small lots.

Citric Acid.—1/5 bulk, to 1/9 small lots.

Tartaric Crystals.—/11 to /11½, according to quantity.

Bluestone.—Macclesfield, parcels £24/10/; distributing lines up to £25.

Borax.—Powder, £19/5/ to £21/15/; crystals, £19 to £21.

Boracic Acid.—Parcels, 32/6.

Strychnine.—2/3 (Hull's).

Flowers of Sulphur.—Parcels, £8; small lots, about 5/ extra.

Carbide.—Swedish, £13.

Sodas.—Bicarbonate (Brunner Mond), £8 for parcels, small lots £8/5/; American descriptions (parcels), £7/10/; caustic, Muspratt's, in parcels £13/10/, small lots £13/15/; Greenbank's, in parcels, £14/10/, small lots £14/15/; silicate soda, liquid £6/12/, for parcels, and up to £6/15/ for small lots, lump £8 for parcels, and £8/5/ for small lots; soda ash, £7 per ton, distributing lots 5/ extra.

OILS.

Kerosene (per gallon).—Snowflake, /10½ ex vessel /10½; Silverlight, /9½; engine kerosene, /7½ to /8½. Motor-car Spirits.—1/5½ 4-gallon tins, 1/7½ 2-gallon tins.

Linseed Oil (per gallon).—First brands, raw, 3/2 to 3/2½, double-boiled 3/4 to 3/4½; second brands, raw 3/1, boiled 3/3.

Turpentine (per gallon).—Pratt's, 2/9 to 2/10, according to parcel; Pinetree, 2/9.

Castor.—2/9 to 2/10; drums, 3/2.

China.—Pure, 4/6 per gallon; denaturated, 3/ (in 4's), and 3/2 (in 1's); Morrison's lamp, 3/.

Cottonseed, 5/ to 5/3. Olive: Australian, 13/ (none available in first hands); imported, 12/6.

Rape Seed.—3/9. Colza, according to brands, 4/3 to 4/9, in gallon tins.

Herring.—None available, worth £15 per ton.

Japanese Fish.—£15 to £16 per ton. Whale: No. 1 pale, 1/10; s. pl., refined, 2/; Polar, 2/2; Scottish, bagged, none available.

Neatsfoot.—Pure, 2/6; compound, 2/.

Creosote.—1/9 to 2/. Rosin oil: £20 per ton.

Whitelead.—First brands, in cwts, £30/5/ per ton, in quarters, £31 per ton, 10/ less for large orders; second brands, in cwts, from £29 to £29/10/, according to brand; in quarters, £1 extra.

Stockholm Tar.—Morrison's, 5/9, in drums, load lots; 40-gallon casks, 40/; imported, 6/3 to 6/6. Pitch, local, 20/ to 22/; imported, 34/, in barrels.

Woolmarking Oil.—Black, 2/8; blue, 2/9; and red, 2/9.

Flyblown-sheep Oil.—2/4 in load lots, 2/6 to 2/7 for distributing lots.

Zinc-white (Australian Red Seal).—£28.

JUTE.

New standard cornsacks, spot, nominally 4/3; old standard, ditto, 7/6.

Branbags, spot, 4/1½.

Woolpacks, ex Itonus, 2/6; ordinary season's delivery, forward, 2/1 to 2/2.

Ore pockets, 2/6 for 18oz and 3/4 for 20oz.

METALS.

Fencing wires:—

Black: German, No. 8, £8/7/6; No. 10, £8/10/ to £8/12/6, small lots to 5/ extra. American: No. 8, £8/12/6; No. 10, £8 17/6; parcels (to arrive), 2/6 less.

Galvanised: German, No. 8 £9/5/, No. 10 £9/12/ to £10; American, No. 8, £9/10/; No. 10, £10, small lots 2/6 per ton extra.

Barbed: Australian, £14 to £15/10/; ditto, special, £17 and £18. German, £14/5/ to £15/10/; American, Iowa, No. 12, £15/10/; No. 14, £16/2/6.

G. C. Iron: First brands, £18/15/; second brands, £18/5/; third brands, £17/15/ to £17/17/6. In 6ft lengths, in 9ft lengths, 15/ more; 10ft lengths, 30/ more than 8ft.

Plain G. Iron: 24, 26, and 28 gauges, first brands, £18, £19/5/, and £20, Fleur-de-Lis 10/ less for each grade.

Bar iron: £10/15/, in ton lots; shoeing iron, £11/15/; shoeing steel, 12/ to 12/6 per cwt.

Sheet lead: £18/5/. Sheet zinc, £29; perforated zinc, 3/ per sheet.

Piping: Black, 72½ off list; galvanised, 62½ off list.

Guttering and downpiping: 40 to 45 per cent. off list.

Tinplates: I.C. coke, 20 x 14 15/3, 28 x 20 31/; I.C. charcoal, 18/6.

Wire nettings:—

42 x 1½ x 17: Australian, A £29/17/6 per mile; B, £27/17/6; English, best heavy £29; ordinary, A £27/10/, B £26 to £26/10/; German, £27 to £29.

42 x 1½ x 18: Australian, £21/17/6, English, £22/10/ to £23; German, £22 to £23.

36 x 1½ x 18: Australian £16, English £16, German £15/10/ to £16.

Cement: Australian 13/6, English 13/6, German 13/6, K.B. and S. and Ship cement being quoted at 13/6.

Plaster: King's Windsor, 18/6.

Axe handles (A in a diamond), 7/6 to 8/, according to parcel. No. 1 Ideal 11/6, ditto pick handles 12/6, 6d extra from broken stock.

Axes: Kelly's, 48/6 to 49/.

Wire nails: 5 per cent. off list for ton lots.

At Darling Harbour yesterday 250 bales of wool were manifested to arrive.

LONDON MARKET CABLES.

SILVER.

LONDON, March 24, 3.5 p.m.

Bar silver is quoted to-day 1/11 3-16 per ounce standard.

WHEAT.

March 25, 4.30 a.m.

A parcel of 15,000 quarters of South Australian and Victorian wheat shipped in February has been sold at 39/9, and 14,000 quarters of Australian, all ports, also shipped in February, at 39/6 per quarter of 480lb c.i.f.

The cargo of the Herzogancesik has been sold at 40/ per quarter.

VISIBLE WHEAT SUPPLY.

The American visible supply of wheat and flour east of the Rockies is estimated by "Bradstreet's" as being equivalent to 64,188,000 bushels of wheat, against 64,361,000 bushels last week, and 52,855,000 bushels at the corresponding period of last year.

METALS.

Yesterday's closing quotations were:—

Copper.—Spot, b £55/15/, s £56 (5/ lower); three months, b £56/11/3, s £56/16/3 (6/3 lower). Electrolytic, £57/5/.

Tin.—Spot, b £129, s £129/10/; three months, b £130/10/, s £131 (5/ lower).

TALLOW SALES.

LONDON, March 24, 1.20 p.m.

At the sales of Australian and New Zealand tallow to-day 1346 casks were offered and 772 were sold. Inferior advanced /3 to /6. Others were unchanged.

LONDON WOOL SALES.

The Australian Mortgage, Land, and Finance Company, Ltd., announces the receipt from their London office of a cable, dated Wednesday, as follows:—"Lately telegraphed improvement has become still more marked. As compared with closing rates of last series, merino wools are fully /1 higher, fine crossbreds are /1 to /1½ higher, and coarse crossbred are fully /1 higher."

TALLOW.

Goldsbrough, Mort, and Co., Ltd., have received from their London house, under yesterday's date, the following cable:—"Prices are unaltered since our last report. Quotations as follows:—Fair to good mutton tallow, at from 31/ to 31/6 per cwt; beef, at from 30/ to 30/6 per cwt."

INTERSTATE MARKETS.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

Wheat was unchanged. The market was firm at 4/4; farmers' lots sold at 4/6. Parcels of flour advanced 5/ to-day. Leading brands are now quoted at 10/10. Bran and pollard were steady at /11½ and 1/2 respectively. Potatoes were easier; Victorians, £5 on trucks.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

Wheat was slightly firmer in tone, with business at 4/6½ to 4/7. Flour was quoted at £10/5/ delivered. Moderate business was done in flour for export. Bran was quoted at /11½, pollard at 1/1. Algerian oats showed a slightly quieter feeling at 1/8½ to 1/11. Really prime milling was quoted at 1/11½, seed 2/0½ to 2/3. Maize was scarce, with some demand at 4/3. Peas were quoted at 4/9 to 4/10. Chaff was quiet to heavy supplies at 45/ to 57/6; choice green wheaten was scarce to 62/6. Potatoes were slightly firmer; Carmen up to 70/, choice Brownells to 72/6. Pinkeye 55/ to 60/. Onions were quiet at £5 to £5/5/, special occasionally to £5/10/.

About 250 packages Ceylon tea were sold up to /9½. Cornsacks on the spot were quiet up to 4/8. Branbags were quoted at about 4/. Fencing wire was selling at £8.

PRODUCE MARKETS.

There was very little business put through in the produce markets, as the nearing of the end of the month had the effect of restricting the operations of buyers to bare requirements. At the Redfern sales the prices realised showed very little alteration from the weak rates accepted at the previous sales. The offerings totalled 34 trucks, being made up as follows:—Chaff 28, lucerne 2, oaten hay 1, maize 1, wheat 1, and pumpkins 1. Maize and wheat came in for most notice, while chaff and lucerne was still quiet. The quality of the chaff was not as good as on Wednesday, consequently only 4/5 was paid for the choice samples from Ganmain. Lucerne, on the other hand, was better, as some extra choice prime green small bales from Mudgee arrived, and brought 4/3. Second milling wheat from Coolamon brought /1 more than at the last sales, 4/7 being paid, while a truck of prime dry maize from the Hawkesbury district realised the same price as the Northern Rivers, selling in Sussex-street. A consignment of oaten hay from Newbridge failed to realise the sellers' price, and was passed in at 4/11. Both Victorian and New Zealand onions were hard to sell, and the market continued weak at late values. Tasmanian potatoes were moving off quietly at unchanged rates. Lucerne on the Hunter River wharf was not receiving much attention, but still £3 was occasionally paid for the best hay. There was only a small arrival, 15 bales putting in an appearance. Oaten hay was now practically unprocurable. Oats were plentiful, and sales were slow, with the exception of seed varieties, which found fair attention at about late rates, other sorts were selling at weaker values.

Current quotations were:—

Maize.—Northern River, prime dry yellow 4/3, white 4/1. New Hebrides, 4/1. At auction: Hawkesbury River, 4/3 per bushel.

Barley.—Cape, 2/11 to 3/; English, 3/ to 3/3 per bus.

Peas.—Blue 4/10 to 5/, grey 4/8 to 4/9 per bus.

Oats.—White 2/3 to 2/4½. Algerian, 2/2 to 2/4. Tartarian, 2/8 to 2/9 per bus.

Bran.—£4/10/; pollard, £5 per ton.

Wheat.—At auction, second milling 4/7 per bushel.

FORAGE MARKET.

Chaff.—South Australian: Prime £4 to £4/5/. Victorian: Oaten £3/7/6 to £3/10/, wheaten £3/15/ per ton. At auction: Local choice 4/5, prime 3/9 to 4/, medium 3/2 to 3/7, inferior 2/10 per cwt.

Oaten Hay.—Victorian: Nominal.

Derrick Straw.—Tasmanian: £3/10/ per ton.

Lucerne.—Hunter River: Prime dry green to £3, soft new makes £2/10/ per ton, inferior and grassy, £2 per ton. At auction: Prime small bales, extra choice Mudgee 4/5, prime 3/3 to 3/9 per cwt.

Millet.—Hawkesbury River: £28 per ton.

VEGETABLES.

Potatoes.—Tasmanian: £4/10/ to £4/15/ per ton. Onions.—Victorian: Brown Spanish, £5/10/ to £6, pickling £4 to £4/5/. New Zealand: £4/10/ to £5/10/ per ton.

DAIRY PRODUCE.

Agents were experiencing great trouble with the bacon market. The supplies were heavy, and were increasing each day, and as values have been gradually falling, and still show a downward tendency, the grocers are holding off until they reach "bedrock." Consequently heavy stocks were accumulated, and in spite of the strenuous efforts of agents to push sales at slaughtered prices, they were extremely slow. Picked sides were now being offered at /7½, while for singles /8 was being asked. Special brands were reduced /1 per lb, sides selling at /8½. The stores were still full of cheese, and very little was selling. The reduction in butter had a depressing effect on the market. Concessions were willingly granted. It was rather early to notice any appreciable change in the butter market at the reduced price. Lard was quiet at current values. The egg market was sluggish. Western districts were selling as low as 1/. Grocers were still buying sparingly.

Current quotations were:—

Butter.—Special favoured brands 92/, good 88/ to 90/, seconds 82/ to 84/, pastry 70/ per cwt.

Cheese.—Local: Prime loaf /6 to /6½, good /4 to /5½, soft and new, /3½ to /4½, prime large /5 to /6½, good /5½, soft and new /4½ to /5½, special brands /7½ per lb.

Lard.—Bladders, /7; bulk, /6½; special brands, packets and small bladders, /7½; bulk, 7 per lb.

Bacon.—Prime factory, sides, lines /7½, singles /8½, flitches, lines /7½, singles /8, middies, lines /10, singles /10½; hams, /10½ to /10½; special brands, sides /8½, flitches /8½, middies /11½; special hams, in seed and double covers, 1/1½, in single cloth 1/0½ per lb.

Eggs.—Northern River, 1/ to 1/1; Southern and railways 1/ to 1/1, choice 1/2, few box lot railways, 1/3; suburban, new-laid 1/5 to 1/6, choice graded 1/7; duck eggs, new-laid, 1/5 to /6 per dozen.

APIARY PRODUCTS.

Only a moderate amount of attention was paid to this section, both lines being quiet at unchanged rates.

Current quotations were:—

Honey.—Western, 60lb tins, choice /3, good /2½ to /2½; Northern Rivers, /1½ to /2½.

Beeswax.—Prime clear, 1/2 to 1/3, dark 1/ to 1/1.

FIREWOOD.

Out of 25 truckloads manifested to arrive at the railway auction sales, only 15 came to hand, and met with fair sales at late rates from a moderate attendance of buyers. The Newtown auction, however, was an exception, as the market there was extremely dull.

The prices realised were:—

Best boxwood, 14/ to 15/8, good 13/ to 14/; iron and stringy bark, 10/6 to 13/; bakers' wood, best 12/ to 13/, good 10/ to 11/.

POULTRY.

The better class of poultry, which was coming forward was receiving good attention. The market showed no material alteration from current values.

The prices realised were:—

Hens, choice 2/9 to 3/6; chickens, choice 2/6, good 1/9 to 2/; roosters 3/ to 4/, choice to 4/6; English ducks, choice 3/6, good 2/6 to 3/; Muscovy ducks, 2/ to 3/6; Muscovy drakes, up to 4/; geese, 5/ to 5/6; pigeons, 1/ to 1/3; guineafowls, 4/6 to 5/; turkeys, 12/6; hens, 7/ to 8/ per pair.

FRUIT MARKETS.

Owing to the fresh shipment of Fiji bananas being placed on the market a reduction of 1/ all round took place. Tomatoes and persimmons were entirely neglected, while only the choice varieties of other fruits were meeting moderate attention at current values. About 24 bags of cocoanuts were placed on the market from the Islands, and up to 14/6 per bag was being asked for them.

Current quotations were:—

Apples.—Local: Dessert, choice 7/ to 9/, medium 5/ to 6/, small 2/ to 5/; cooking, choice 5/ to 5/6, medium 3/ to 3/6; jam lots, 1/6 per gin-case. Victorian: Jonathans, extra choice 6/6, choice 5/ to 6/, small 3/ to 4/; Pomme de Niege, extra choice 5/6; other sorts, 2/6 to 3/6 per bushel-case. Tasmanian: Alexanders, choice coloured 6/, good 3/ to 5/; R.P., 5/; Fannys, 5/ to 7/ per bushel-case.

Bananas.—G.M., 10/6 to 11/ per case, 2/6 to 8/ per bunch. Fiji: 9/6 to 10/6 per case, 2/ to 5/6 per bunch. Queensland: 7/ to 7/6 per case, 1/6 to 3/ per bunch.

Cocoanuts.—13/6 to 14/6 per bag, 2/ to 2/6 per dozen.

Grapes.—Local: Blacks and whites, choice 4/ to 4/6, medium 3/6, small 2/ to 2/6; Muscats, choice 6/ to 7/, medium 4/ to 5/, small 2/6 to 3/ per box.

Jam Melons.—2/ to 3/ per dozen.

Oranges.—Local: Second crop, choice 4/ to 5/, medium 2/6 to 3/, small and rough almost unsaleable. Italian: 12/ to 14/ per box.

Lemons.—Local: Choice coloured 10/, medium 7/ to 9/, small 4/ to 5/; green, choice 6/, medium 3/ to 4/ per gin-case. Italian: 8/ to 9/ per half-case. American seedless 9/ per box of 150 to 180.

Nuts.—Peanuts, /5½; walnuts, /6½; almonds, 1/; Lychee, 1/; Barcelonas, /9 per lb.

Pears.—Local: Williams' choice 10/ to 12/, medium 6/ to 7/, other sorts 2/ to 4/ per gin-case; China pears, 2/ to 2/6 per gin-case. Victorian: Williams', 7/ to 7/6, very ripe, 3/ to 4/; B.D.C., 5/ to 6/; Golden Beurre, 4/6 to 5/6; Gansell Bergamot, 6/6 to 7/ per bushel-case, extra choice Gansells, 7/6 to 8/ per bushel-case. Tasmanian: Bon Jerseys, 3/ to 3/6; Gansells, 3/ to 4/; B.D.C., 3/ to 3/6; B.B., 3/6 per half-bushel-case.

Persimmons.—Local: Choice 3/, medium 2/, small 1/ to 1/6 per box.

Passionfruit.—Local: Choice 3/ to 3/6, medium 1/ per box; small practically unsaleable.

Plums.—Local: Sydney lates, 1/6 to 2/ per bushel-case.

Pineapples.—Queensland Ripley Queens, choice 4/ to 5/; Queens, choice 3/6 to 4/6, small 3/; common, choice 2/6 to 4/6, small 2/6 to 3/.

Peaches.—Local: Slipstones, choice 3/6 to 4/, medium 2/ 2/6; clingstones, choice 3/ to 3/6, medium 2/ to 2/6 per half-case. Victorian: Choice 5/ to 6/, medium 2/6 to 4/ per bushel-case.

Quinces.—Choice 3/6 to 4/, medium 3/ per gin-case.

Rockmelons.—Local: 2/ to 4/ per gin-case.

Strawberries.—Local 3/ to 4/6 per dozen punnets.

Tomatoes.—Local: Choice 1/6, medium 1/, small and inferior unsaleable.

Watermelons.—Local: Medium to choice 3/6 to 6/, small 1/6 to 2/ per dozen.

MELBOURNE.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The following prices were obtained for fruit in the local markets to-day:—Grapes, Gordo 3/ to 5/, mixed good 4/ to 5/6, special 6/ to 8/, Doradillas 2/6 to 4/, Black Prince 4/ to 6/, St. Peter 3/6 to 4/, others 3/6 to 4/6; apples, dessert choice 3/ to 3/6, good 2/ to 2/6, inferior 1/3, cooking good 2/ to 2/6, inferior 1/; pears, dessert choice 3/ to 5/, good 2/6 to 3/; pines, Queens, 3/ to 4/; oranges, Italian, 24/ to 26/ double-case; lemons, Italian, 12/6 to 25/ double-case; passionfruit, 3/ to 5/; peaches, 4/ to 6/, inferior 3/; Californian lemons, 10/ half-case; almonds, /6 to /8 per lb; figs, 2/6 to 2/9 per half-case; melons, water 2/6 to 5/ per dozen, rocks 1/6 to 3/, preserving 2/6 to 5/; walnuts, /7 to /8 per lb; quinces, 1/6 to 2/6 per case.

PRODUCE ARRIVALS.

The arrivals of maize, oats, chaff, potatoes, and butter by rail and sea for the week ended Tuesday, March 23, together with the totals to date for the year and the corresponding period of the previous year, are appended:—

	Coastal.	By Rail.	Other States.
Maize.	Bags.	Bags.	Bags.
Week's receipts	7,757	33	—
Previous week	9,280	77	831
Total to date, 1909	46,303	8,083	8,088
Total to date, 1908	31,325	21,789	21,062
Oats.			
Week's receipts	—	455	1,955
Previous week	—	338	1,853
Total, 1909	—	6,279	19,393
Total, 1908	—	11,709	33,381
Chaff.			
Week's receipts	—	40,050	10,277
Previous week	—	10,820	8,827
Total, 1909	—	300,765	101,983
Total, 1908	—	235,350	400,050
Potatoes.			
Week's receipts	9	253	8,119
Previous week	66	143	3,461
Total, 1909	17,847	10,800	40,293
Total, 1908	5,112	27,150	126,279

Butter.	Boxes.	Boxes.	Kegs.	Boxes.
Week's receipts	18,151	1,613	3	—
Previous week	18,206	1,671	4	—
Total, 1909	197,550	21,074	39	2
Total, 1908	191,921	20,131	94	4,065

STOCK TRUCKINGS.

For the sale of March 29 167 sheep vans and 82 cattle waggons, and for that of April 1 497 sheep vans and 135 cattle waggons have been ordered.

HOMEBUSH STOCK MARKET.

YESTERDAY'S SALES.

SHEEP.

Upwards of 47,531 sheep (including lambs) were balloted for sale from 188 consignors, and 46,887 head were penned. All the stock trains had not arrived by the opening of the sales. There were six drafts, ranging from 1000 to 1100; the bulk of the consignments, however, were in lots of 100 to 300 head. The sheep comprised all descriptions, from odd pens of very medium and light merino ewes to occasional pens of extra prime wethers and ewes. There was a large proportion of medium and useful quality, with a moderate representation of prime, and a few exceptionally prime lots. Crossbreds were not too plentiful; a sprinkling was in evidence from useful to prime quality; a few extra prime and heavy. There was a full attendance of buyers, including exporters and the Sydney Meat Preserving Company, Limited. Also one or two graziers operating on lines suitable for returning to the country. As the supply of medium and useful quality was ample for requirements, the market generally was /6 to 1/ per head lower for such quality, while prime descriptions tended to hold their own at previous rates, closing weak. Quotations:—Prime merino w, 13/6 to 14/6; extra prime merino w, 15/6 to 17/4, a few to 19/; good merino w and h, 10/ to 12/; medium merino w and h, 7/ to 8/6; prime merino e, 12/ to 13/6; extra prime merino e, 14/ to 15/6; good merino e, 8/6 to 10/6; medium merino e, 5/6 to 7/; odd pens of inferior from 3/3; prime xbd w, 13/6 to 15/6, extra prime 16/6 to 17/6; good xbd w and h, 11/ to 12/6; medium xbd w and h, 8/ to 10/; prime xbd e, 13/ to 15/, odd pens to 19/; good xbd e and h, 10/ to 12/; medium xbd e and h, 6/6 to 8/6. Sales:—

A. McIlree and Co.—Southern agents, 84 r 9/.

Warden Harry Graves, Ltd.—Cooper Bros., Moree, 50 w 12/2, 22 12/, 9 xb w 13/9, 40 12/6, 91 xb e 10/10, 69 11/3, 100 e 10/1, 55 9/, 4 12/6.

Winchcombe, Carson, and Co., Ltd.—R. Lamby, 20 xb w 14/7, 54 13/9, 187 e 11/8, 21 9/10; W. McIntosh, 155 w 14/1, 800 e 11/, 80 w 10/11, 144 e 9/4 to 9/6; J. Robinson, 25 xb w 14/, 74 w 12/6, 114 e 12/1, 13 xb w 12/, 5 w 11/1, 66 e 9/6; Boureong estate, 218 w 13/1 to 13/7, 90 11/1 to 11/5; G. Morse, 24 w 13/4, 13 xb e 11/9, 83 e 11/1; J. J. McNeil, 103 w 12/7, 185 11/6 to 11/7; K. Cousens, 8 w 12/6, 87 e 10/5, 179 e 9/4 to 9/7; W. H. Holmes, 105 w 12/2; R. A. Read, 8 w 11/6, 297 e 11/; Mrs. Conway, 20 w 11/6; A. B. McKenzie, 55 w 9/7, 9 e and w 11/, 42 w 7/6; T. F. and J. Grills, 45 w 10/7, 15 r and e 8/, 22 e and w 6/6; C. Barton, 100 w 10/6; H. Matthews, 11 xb e 10/6, 52 w 10/, 11 h 9/9, 26 e 8/; T. W. Burge, 67 w 9/1, 16 e 6/3; J. B. Ewens, 49 e 9/; T. H. Rowlands, 60 w 8/7, 123 e 8/6; A. McHattan, 12 e 8/11, 25 h 7/5, 63 e 5/6; A. E. H. Carter, 8 w 7/6, 99 e 5/8; W. Jones, 23 e 7/4; J. S. Welch, 104 e 7/; H. O. Elliott, 99 e 7/3; Northern agents, 104 e 3/6; W. H. Poidevin, 111 w 11/1; J. M'Donald, 27 xbd 14/; A. Donaldson, 45 w 15/2, 110 e 9/.

Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Ltd.—Estate Vickery, 78 w 13/11 to 14/, 200 13/; Mrs. Sands, 9 xb w 14/, 39 13/; Wallangra Pastoral Co., 40 e 11/ to 11/1, 340 10/11, 116 9/6; Northern agents, 20 e 10/9, 50 10/7, 220 10/5, 116 8/8; G. H. V. Jenkins, 20 w 8/9, 499 8/7, 20 7/3, 20 7/4, 113 7/; G. Eggleston, 145 e 10/7, 138 8/6; Rosebrook estate, 27 w 10/6, 29 e 7/1; M. J. Daly, 14 w 13/, 5 e 11/3, 33 -/10; R. and J. Parkman, 20 e 8/10, 20 8/9; W. Laird, 25 w 10/10, 73 e 8/; W. Baxter, 10 r 8/, 98 e 6/1; T. J. Sherwin, 8 e and w 8/, 90 e 7/10; J. King, 103 e 7/11; R. and J. Parkman, 200 8/9 to 8/10; C. M. Lowe, 41 e 11/ to 11/3; J. N. Phelps, 43 w 13/8, 9 e 10/6.

New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Co., Ltd.—J. E. Murphy, 61 w 9/, 27 7/3; E. Doyle, 25 e 9/7; J. Peacock, 67 w 15/8 to 15/9, 32 14/9, 420 e 13/5, 413 11/4 to 11/7; J. Donaldson, 177 w 15/5 to 15/9, 246 13/4 to 13/8, 116 10/7; A. W. Stewart, 193 w 10/8, 100 12/5; M. D. Barton, Burren, 250 e 14/5 to 14/6, 165 12/2, 69 w 13/10, 16 10/11.

Badgery Bros.—W. N. Stone, 236 w 11/5 to 12/, 186 10/2 to 10/3, 96 9/3; Southern agents, 20 xb e 7/6, 39 e 7/5; J. Corcoran, 121 e 6/6; T. Carter, 114 w 13/9 to 19/11, 81 12/11; W. M'Donald, 118 xb e 8/, 49 6/5, 56 e 6/3; D. Murray, 35 e 7/10.

Pitt, Son, and Badgery, Ltd.—Northern agents, 256 w 15/5, 481 14/1 to 14/3, 51 12/6, 9 e 12/6; Peel River L. and M. Company, Ltd., 484 e 9/6 to 9/9, 545 8/2; T. Wilson, 104 w 12/7, 58 10/6, 26 e 9/; C. E. Prell, 42 e 9/1, 6 xbds 9/5; T. Cook and Co., 324 w 15/3 to 15/8, 507 14/1 to 14/8, 66 13/; A. T. Nivison, 132 w 12/ to 12/8, 408 10/8 to 11/; E. A. Morrice, 150 e 9/3, 149 7/2, 10 h 9/3; M. Neylan, 211 w 10/9; Bell Bros and Co., 32 xb 12/, 46 12/; C. Bloomfield, 63 e 9/8 to 9/4, 17 8/9; D. M. Rogalsky, 63 w 8/4, 11 e 7/; C. W. Durack, 64 e 9/9; J. J. Hush, 51 e 8/6 to 8/7; Northern agents, 825 e 7/5, 198 8/6; Northern agents, Walcha, 465 e 8/6 to 8/11, 96 7/6, 156 r 9/2; F. F. Gibson, 15 xb e 19/, 15 xb w 17/, 24 xb e 17/6, 11 xb w 14/6; R. Crossley, 78 w 10/9 to 10/11, 26 e 9/6; Garraway and Allen, 20 w 9/11; O. B. Briggs, 54 w 13/7, 45 e 10/; D. H. Allan, 54 e 11/10, 57 xbd e 18/, 76 e 10/9.

J. C. Young and Co.—Sieler Bros., Marulan, 25 w 12/9, 30 12/, 46 8/3; M. R. O'Brien, Tarago, 76 w 10/7, 185 10/8, 48 8/6, 126 e 9/; Ingall Bros., Willow Tree, 8 w 11/2, 304 e 10/; S. S. Hunt, Perthville, 7 xb e 10/, 25 9/6, 26 e 9/10; J. B. Sandilands, Uralla, 112 w 10/4, 20 8/0, 126 5/ to 8/2; M. J. Wham, Glencoe, 84 w 9/7; R. F. Siggs, Woodhouselea, 98 w 9/8, 122 7/10; Southern agents, 31 e 8/1; L. Dutton, Guyra, 106 w 9/2; C. A. Coles, 51 xb w 10/6, 165 w 9/9, 114 e 8/6, 34 r 7/8; Riggsdale estate, 55 r 8/10, 22 e 5/6; G. Harris, 92 w 10/9, 51 8/7, 15 xb w 10/2; Southern agents, 83 w 10/8 to 10/9, 18 9/6.

Joseph Lewis and Co.—L. F. and A. G. Eckford, Glenroy, 5 w 9/10, 50 17/4, 35 16/3; S. M'Kibbin, Macquarie, 6 x w 13/7, 136 w 12/9 to 12/10, 35 11/, 12 e 9/; Mrs. Macintyre, Kayuga, 10 x e h at 11/2, 176 h 10/3, 118 at 9/3; A. Stevenson, Easington Park, 12 x w 11/, 92 w 9/6, 19 e 8/; F. Toole, jun., 14 e w 10/8, 29 8/7; C. Noonan, 50 e 9/5, 36 9/1; R. L. Webb, Tarana, 22 w 9/4, 21 x w 9/, 12 x e 8/, 22 e 7/8; E. Collins, 37 e 8/1, 30 7/.

Weaver and Perry.—T. Dowling, 81 w 16/7, 6 12/7; S. Gall, 69 w 14/7 to 14/8, 115 12/9, 49 e 11/10, 94 9/8, 9/9; G. Phelps, 124 e 13/4, 159 10/11 to 11/1; A. J. Baker, 207 w 13/1, 375 11/9 to 11/11; W. T. Smith, 141 w 11/4 to 11/7, 50 10/8; H. B. Jackson, 82 w 11/7, 188 11/1; S. Stapleton, 89 w 11/ to 11/1, 237 9/1 to 9/2; H. F. Marr, 58 xbd w 10/11, 55 w 10/, 26 e 7/7; J. J. Mitchell, 246 e 10/9; F. J. Mitchell, 331 e 9/; J. Lyons, 35 e and w, 8/4; E. Cray, 15 w 7/6, 92 e 7/3; M. Gay, 45 w 7/8; W. M. Bensley, 34 e 6/9; J. H. Warn, 112 e 7/4; V. Frost, 33 e 7/.

Wilkinson and Lavender, Ltd.—Northern agents, 59 xb e 15/1, 108 12/9 to 13/; Noonan Bros., 134 xb w h 10/6, 152 xb e h 9/ to 9/4, 103 w 8/4, 11 e 5/11; C. Moore, 6 e and w 8/6, 16 r 7/6, 71 w 6/9, 84 e 6/, 5 w 4/6, 7 e 4/.

Hill, Clark, and Co.—J. R. M'Kenzie and Sons, 6 xb w 17/6, 74 14/11 to 15/, 63 e 13/11, 47 10/2, 20 w 12/7, 110 xb 11/11 to 12/, 122 11/ to 11/2; T. D. Murphy, Rowena, 269 e 15/3 to 15/7; Rogers Bros., Gunneiah, 675 w 14/2 to 14/5, 227 12/9 to 12/11; John Cameron, Moree, 340 w 13/6 to 13/10, 129 12/; E. Grigg, Tarago, 112 w 13/4, 84 11/7 to 11/9; W. H. Crane, Warialda, 94 w 11/10; J. J. Smith, Cowra, 453 w 10/7 to 10/10, 169 8/5; Litchfield Bros., Cooma, 451 e 10/6 to 10/11, 223 8/11; W. A. Stamm, Warialda, 100 e 10/; F. A. Parbury, Scone, 90 h 11/8, 65 xb e 9/10 to 10/3; S. H. Harnett, Cooma, 129 w 11/8, 55 10/4; A. J. M'Innes, Roslyn, 250 e 8/6, 157 7/3 to 7/4; Kingram Bros., Blayney, 14 w 9/5, 33 e 6/1, 58 8/7; S. and W. Healey, Lyndhurst, 22 w 9/1, 33 8/1; D. and J. Leahy, Crookwell, 134 w 9/3 to 9/4, 68 8/3; J. Clatworthy, 100 w 8/6; W. Ryan, Queanbeyan, 96 e 8/8, 73 7/4, 22 w 8/6; N. H. M'Donald, Warialda, 100 e 9/4; Mrs. M. A. Walcott, 53 e 7/3; Northern agents, 117 e 6/.

Abbott and Martineer.—D. J. Dwyer, Beanbri, 133 w 12/6 to 13/, 127 11/6 to 11/10; J. Dwyer, 47 e 13/, 61 w 12/6, 19 12/, 27 10/2, 30 e 9/6; W. Holcombe, Bugilbone, 36 e 12/, 18 xb h 14/, 22 10; G. Corby, Crookwell, 38 e 6/2, 37 w 6/.

Maiden Brothers.—S. Moore, Narellan, 118 xbd w 14/4, 88 w 12/8; A. Jones, Moree, 88 w 13/2, 12 e 8/11; B. Moore, Narellan, 182 xbd w 12/9 to 12/11, 95 11/2, 92 xbd e 11/, 817 w 10/10/; W. H. R. Stitt, Forbes, 68 x w 12/10, 175 w 11/6 to 11/7; 36 10/; J. Angus and Sons, Rooty Hill, 31 xbd e 12/7, 20 e 11/5; J. Coppard, Cooma, 20 xbd w 11/6, 33 e 8/6; Barritt and Melrose, Young, 106 w 11/2 to 11/3, 86 10/1; W. F. Doyle, Werris Creek, 11 w 11/6, 51 e 9/4; J. Elliott, Newbridge, 142 w 10/5 to 11/, 11 9/, 25 e 5/6; F. Hoadley, Blayney, 20 xbd e 11/, 24 w 11/, 36 e 8/7; Estate L. P. Doyle, Werris Creek, 211 e 10/3 to 10/6, 58 9/2; R. F. Doyle, 10 e 10/1; A. M'Intyre, Blayney, 13 r 10/; G. W. Harvey, 18 xbd e 10/, 16 w 9/5; Cullen Bros., M'Alister, 5 w 10/6, 100 8/11; J. Williams, Mudgee, 32 e 9/7; Southern Agents, 102 w 9/5; A. S. Cooper, Uralla, 446 w 9/1, 162 8/; C. Wall, Narrabri, 70 e 8/9, 30 xbd e 8/6; M. Clements, Blayney, 42 w 8/1, 16 e 7/; E. Jamieson, 8 w 8/, 24 e 5/8; J. Collett, Gunning, 30 e 7/3, 212 4/8; Barry, Crookwell, 175 e 7/, 125 5/; F. A. Roberts, Tarago, 84 e 6/; J. Flood, Blayney, 22 e 6/5; A. Whalen, Tarana, 91 e 3/3.

LAMBS.

A large supply of lambs was forward. All descriptions were in evidence, from young and light—both crossbreds and merino—to odd pens of extra prime. The supply mainly comprised good, useful quality. Occasional pens were very burry; the bulk, however, carried free skins. There was a good demand, but as the supply at opening seemed ample for trade requirements, especially medium and useful sorts, values tended in buyers' favour, firming, however, as sales progressed. Quotations: Prime lambs, 11/ to 12/; extra prime, woolly lambs, 13/ to 14/9; good suckers and shorn lambs, 7/6 to 9/6; medium suckers and shorn lambs, 5/ to 6/6.

Warden Harry Graves, Ltd.—Cooper Bros., 132 10/3, 81 8/6, 32 7/8.

Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Ltd.—Mrs. Sands, 61 9/3; Rosebrook Estate, 53 9/; M. J. Daly, 48 13/4; J. Parker, 73 8/5, 24 6/10; J. N. Phelps, 137 9/1; C. M. Lowe, 133 10/4.

New Zealand L. and M. A. Co., Ltd.—E. Doyle, 45 10/6, 26 8/6; G. Verge, 194 8/3 to 8/4, 57 7/3; C. H. Kemp, 103 10/.

Winchcombe, Carson, and Co., Ltd.—A. Donaldson, 41 13/; J. McDonald, 25 12/6, 43 11/; Grills and Co., 124 11/7, 88 10/4; A. R. Conway, 46 11/7, 34 9/9; W. Walker, 77 11/, 152 9/7 to 9/9, 73 9/6; G. R. Morse, 78 10/ to 10/6; T. H. Rowlands, 121 e 10/5; T. F. and J. Grills, 9 9/8; W. H. Poidevin, 106 9/4; J. H. Eather, 72 9/, 105 8/11; F. Bixon, 87 9/, 105 7/5; J. R. Ewens, 27 8/6; W. Jones, 74 8/; T. W. Burge, 35 7/7; Northern agents, 17 5/.

Joseph Leeds and Co.—F. Toole, junior, 12 12/6, 48 9/8; A. Stevenson, 32 10/8, 54 9/3; E. Collins, 35 9/7, 6 7/6; R. L. Webb, 24 8/6.

Badgery Bros.—Southern agents, 93 8/, 69 7/7 to 8/, 17 7/6, 35 6/; W. Taylor, 46 10/, 38 8/, 23 7/; W. McDonald, 53 5/8, 10 5/6; D. Murray, 55 8/, 23 7/.

Weaver and Perry.—S. Gall, 52 12/3; A. R. Maple Brown, 228 9/11 to 10/; H. F. Marr, 101 6/7; V. Frost, 134 6/4; F. H. Throsby, 118 8/2 to 8/3; J. J. Lyons, 75 6/9 to 7/; A. Arnold, 118 8/; R. Yeomans, 6 7/8, 113 (shorn) 5/5 to 5/7; W. M. Bensley, 82 7/ to 7/4; W. Churchill, 20 6/4; H. B. Jackson, 12 12/6.

J. C. Young and Co.—S. S. Hunt, 43 8/11; Southern agents, 11 10/6, 45 8/6, 17 6/2; C. A. Cole, 11 10/, 46 8/6, 12 7/3; G. Harris, 115 8/2 to 8/5, 20 9/, 20 6/1.

Wilkinson and Lavender, Ltd.—Northern agents, 371 9/9 to 10/2, 38 9/1; J. P. Moore, 10 9/2, 98 8/8 to 8/9; C. Moore, 12 7/1.

Hill, Clark, and Co.—M. J. Murphy, 327 11/ to 11/2, 97 10/7 to 10/9; T. D. Murphy, 196 10/11 to 11/, 114 10/4; F. A. Parbury, 26 9/6 to 9/10; S. H. Harnett, 89 10/3, 12 8/3; Kingham Bros., 5 9/7; S. and W. Healey, 34 7/9, 10 6/6; H. W. Smith, 28 9/1, 23 8/9, 13 8/, 42 7/6 to 7/8; A. J. McInnes, 17 8/10, 6 9/8; M. A. Walcott, 35 8/, 10 6/; Western agents, 47 6/, 43 5/9 to 5/10.

Pitt, Son, and Badgery, Ltd.—Bell Bros., and Co., 227 12/11, 46 10/6, 133 11/1 to 11/7; Northern agents, 15 12/1, 32 9/7, 6 8/6; T. Wilson, 20 10/8; C. E. Prell, 15 10/2, 116 8/6, 61 7/9; Northern agents, Inverell, 127 7/6 to 8/5, 72 6/; E. Bloomfield, 20 9/; D. M. Rogalsky, 20 7/8; C. W. Durack, 67 9/2 to 9/3, 18 7/5, 51 7/5, 12 xls 9/2; J. J. Brown, 101 6/1; Hyem and Sons, 100 12/ to 12/9; F. F. Gibson, 88 13/5, 15 xls 14/9; O. B. Briggs, 117 11/2 to 11/6, 97 9/5; Garraway and Allen, 136 9/6, 124 8/3; J. J. Hush, 59 xls 9/1, 9/5.

Abbott and Martineer.—W. Holcombe, 99 10/11 to 11/, 103 9/7; 8 8/6; G. J. Hardy, Glenrowan, rail Burren Junction, 24 13/3, 64 11/2, 12 9/6, 28 11/8, 10 11/4, 68 10/6, 6 9/; D. J. Dwyer, 15 9/, 7 8/2, 13 7/; E. D. Thomas, 51 8/, 47 6/8 to 7/; G. Corby, 25 7/.

Maiden Bros.—R. F. Doyle, 74 10/9, 17 9/3; D. Isbester, 70 10/4, 10 8/6; G. W. Harvey, 20 10/6; W. F. Doyle, 22 10/5; B. Moore, 46 10/; J. Angus and Sons, 72 9/6, 64 8/6; C. Wall, 94 9/6, 30 8/; J. Coppard, 50 8/6, 10 6/; G. Plumb, 60 8/5; F. Hoadley, 86 8/2, 17 5/3; W. Cambage, 12 8/6; F. Harrison, 29 8/, 11 7/; J. Elliot, 37 7/10; A. M'Intyre, 106 7/7, 77 5/9; J. Collett, 46 7/; M. Clements, 48 7/8; J. Flood, 34 6/1; Lady M'Millan, 115 5/7; F. A. Roberts, 18 6/7, 11 (shorn) 6/7; E. Jamieson, 22 6/, 57 5/6, 111 4/6 to 5/; A. Whalen, 16 4/7.

CATTLE.

There was a slight increase in the number of cattle forward over the number advised. Upwards of 1122 were balloted for sale, from 43 consignors, and 1152 head were yarded. The yardings comprised all descriptions from young and light steers and heifers to prime heavy bullocks and cows. There was a larger proportion of prime, medium-weight bullocks than for a long while past. Prime heavy bullocks were also in evidence, with a moderate representation of good to prime light bullocks and steers. About 280 cows and heifers were forward. Medium and useful quality predominated, with a sprinkling of prime. There was a good attendance of buyers, and as the supply was well within requirements, the market opened to brisk competition, and values generally showed an improvement of 10/ to 15/ per head above last Monday's reduced rates. Quotations: Yards of prime bullocks £10 to £11, yards of prime heavy bullocks £11/10/ to £12, odd extra prime heavy bullocks to £15, yards of prime light bullocks and steers £8/10/ to £9/10/, yards of good bullocks and steers £6/10/ to £7/10/, yards of medium and light steers £5 to £6; yards of prime cows £6/10/ to £7/10/, yards of extra prime cows and heifers £8 to £9, odd choice beasts to £9/8/; yards of good cows and heifers £5 to £6, yards of medium and light cows and heifers £3/10/ to £4/10/; best light beef 27/, good beef 25/ to 26/ per 100lb.

Pitt, Son, and Badgery, Ltd.—T. Cook, 33 bullocks to £9/4/, avg £8/16/10; H. E. A. and V. White, 53 bullocks to £10/3/, avg £9/11/8; C. B. Crowley, 37 bullocks to £11, avg £10/5/9, 7 steers to £9/13/, avg £7/19/5, 5 heifers avg £6/15/5; C. White, senr., 39 steers to £8/15/, avg £7/14/, 8 heifers to £7/6/, avg £5/9/; Northern agents, 33 blks to £9/3/, avg £8/5/4; Northern agents, 2 steers at £5/19/, 77 heifers to £5/12/, avg £4/6/8; Peel River L. and M. Company, Ltd., 23 bullocks to £9/13/, avg £9/0/7, 40 heifers to £7/12/, avg £6/17/6; J. B. and W. M. Christian, 78 bullocks to £8/16/, avg £7/18/4, 22 cows to £9/3/, avg £5/16/; Exors. W. F. Gordon, 11 heifers at £5/16/; J. W. Knight, 4 steers avg £4/4/, 9 cows and heifers to £5/17/, avg £5/0/11; J. Campbell, 4 bullocks (workers) at £10, 7 steers, avg £7/11/.

Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Ltd.—Merton Smith, 28 bullocks to £11, avg £9/7/6; trustees late J. S. Vickery, 33 bullocks to £9/13/, avg £8/17/9; H. E. Kater, 11 cows to £7/12/, avg £7/10/7; J. Townsend, 8 cows and heifers to £5, avg £3/8/, 8 steers to £3/7/, avg £2/10/6.

William Inglis and Son.—J. M. Spratt, Muswellbrook, 12 bullocks and steers to £9, avg £6/3/4.

J. C. Young and Co.—Ingall Bros., Willow Tree, 20 bullocks to £11/1/, avg £10/6/10, 3 heifers to £6/3/, avg £5/18/8, 14 vealers to £2/1/, avg £2.

Hill, Clark, and Co.—Bakewell Bros., 34 bullocks to £9, avg £8/3/1; Northern agents, 4 bullocks to £15, avg £13/2/6, 3 cows at £9/6/; Litchfield Bros., 12 bullocks and steers to £9/10/, avg £9/3/6, 9 cows to £7/8/, avg £6/19/6; L. Moran, 18 bullocks to £8/18/, avg £8/13/; T. Rae, 11 cows and heifers to £6/10/, avg £5/16/6; F. Billing, 9 cows and heifers to £8/4/, avg £4/19/; W. Lamond, 7 cows to £6/1/, avg £6/9/9; H. Cook, 8 bullocks to £10, avg £8/15/8.

Winchcombe, Carson, and Co., Ltd.—J. Donaldson, 37 bullocks to £10/11/, avg £9/16/6; Southern Agents, 2 cows, avg £6/10/, 2 bulls to £6/11/, avg £5/7/6; 3 cows to £5/7/, avg £5/5/8; W. H. Holmes, 15 heifers to £5/17/, avg £5/15/4, 8 heifers to £4/19/, avg £3/13/9, 3 steers, £3/6/.

Maiden Bros.—Estate L. P. Doyle, Werris Creek, 22 steers to £8/3/, avg £7/19/9; E. Jamieson, Coolac, 11 cows and heifers to £8/, avg £5/18/1, 2 steers, avg £4/1/; W. Thompson, Gunnedah, 3 cows to £7/1/, avg £6/18/8, 7 steers to £6/10/, avg £5/13/3, 5 heifers £4/11/; R. C. Thomson, Delungra, 17 calves to £2/7/, avg £1/17/8.

Weaver and Perry.—E. W. King, 50 bullocks to £11/1/, avg £10/8/6; C. J. Withycombe and Co., 17 steers to £8, avg £7/16/8, 10 cows and heifers to £7/6/, avg £5/9/5, 4 vealers at £2/17/; G. M. and A. J. Campbell, 20 steers to £8, avg £7/1/8; G. M. Campbell, 5 steers to £8/5/, avg £7/8/8.

Wilkinson and Lavender, Ltd.—Angledool station, 4 bullocks to £11/12/6, avg £11/7/6; North-western agents, 5 bulls to £7/3/, avg £6/17/7.

Badgery Bros.—White Bros., Edinglassie, 109 steers to £9/3/, avg £8/7/10; A. Baldwin, 10 cows to £6/12/, avg £5/15/2, 2 vealers at £4; Gordon, 8 bulls to £7/11/, avg £4/12/6.

PROPERTY SALES.

Kentville estate, North Annandale, at the junction of Johnson-street and the Balmain tram line, will be offered at auction to-morrow by Messrs. Hugh Duff and Co. On this estate resided for many years the late Mr. John Young, known as "The Father of Bowls." The old residence, Kentville, has been demolished, and the estate subdivided.

STATION PRODUCE SALES.

The Australian Mortgage, Land, and Finance Co., Ltd., John Bridge and Co., Ltd., Dalgety and Co., Ltd., Goldsbrough, Mort, and Co., Ltd., Harrison, Jones, and Devlin, Ltd., Hill, Clark, and Co., New Zealand Loan and Mercantile Agency Co., Ltd., Pastoral Finance Association, Ltd., Pitt, Son, and Badgery, Ltd., Schute, Bell, and Co., and Winchcombe, Carson, and Co., Ltd., report:—

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335 casks were offered and 256 sold.

Hair, Horns, and Sundries.—Horsehair was in irregular inquiry at weaker prices, while best hoofs realised rather higher values. Other lines were unchanged. Quotations—Horsehair sold to /28 per lb, cowhair to /13½, stumps to /8½; shankbones, round to £8/10/ per ton, ordinary mixed to £4/10/, knuckles to £41 hoofs, white to £18/12/6, mixed £8/15/ to £7; hidepieces to £9/10/, sinews to £21, horns to 65/ per 100; beeswax to /14 per lb.

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SHIRE COUNCILS.

BLACKTOWN.—At the last meeting of the council the Public Works Department advised a grant of £400 being available as soon as it was decided to re-erect Eastern Creek Bridge. In consequence of mobs of cattle camping on the Seven Hills-road, the council decided to inform the owner that any further nuisance in this direction would be proceeded with under the Police Act. A general rate of 1d in the £ on all rateable property was confirmed.

BULLI (CLIFTON).—The council at its last meeting, on the motion of the president (Mr. J. S. Kirton), decided to ask for the approval of the Minister to borrow £1000. The funds available were sufficient to carry on for five weeks, and if further funds were not then available all hands would have to be suspended. Dr. Paton, Government Medical Inspector of Charities, asked the council to reconsider the question of fencing dangerous parts of the road near Waterfall station, and that the work be proceeded with at an early date.

CESSNOCK.—At the council meeting on Wednesday, the representatives of B riding urged the council to send an officer to Kurri Kurri on an advertised date to collect rates. The other councillors would not hear of the proposition, on the ground that other centres would want the same privileges. The Works Department asked the council to furnish returns of all works done, expenditure, lengths of roads, etc., for 1908. The president said the cost of supplying this information was estimated at £150. A letter had been forwarded asking if an approximate list would suffice. It was decided to rerate the collieries in the shire. The financial position of the shire is as follows:—Cash book balance, £482 9s, less accounts presented £166 9s 10d, leaving a credit balance of £316 9s 2d. Against this amount there are liabilities on contracts amounting to £318 13s 4d. Councillor Lonsdale was elected chairman of the works committee, Councillor Bridge chairman of the finance committee, and Councillor Johns chairman of the health committee.

COBBORA (Wellington).—According to the report submitted to the council by the engineer, a large amount of damage was done in the B and C ridings by the recent floods. Five miles of metalled road was washed bare, two causeways were completely destroyed and several others damaged, and many of the roads were gutted out. He estimated that the total damage amounted to £970.

LAKE MACQUARIE.—A special State grant of £200 has been authorised to improve the side streets at West Wallsend by day labour. The department also notified the council that it must appoint a duly-qualified resident engineer. Arrangements were made to give effect to the Minister's decision. Councillor Stenhouse was re-elected vice-president, and a special grant was voted to complete improvements to the road leading to Fassifern station. The construction of a road at Dudley was authorised.

MURRUMBIDGEE.—The monthly meeting of the council was held on Friday. The president's allowance for the ensuing year was fixed at £50. A rate of ¼d was made.

NATTAI (Bowral).—It was reported that satisfactory arrangements had been made with regard to the shire taking over a portion of the area of the Shellharbour municipality. The Department of Lands wrote stating that the Minister, after consideration, did not deem it expedient to entertain the council's request to throw the catchment area of the Sydney water supply open for grazing purposes; and the council decided to again write to the department asking that the Water and Sewerage Board be directed to destroy the noxious weeds, rabbits, and other pests on the area. A letter from the Public Works Department stated that £200 had been granted for the portion of Wombeyan Caves-road between Wanganderry and the caves, and it was decided to request that the grant be applied to the full length of the road.

PATRICK'S PLAINS (Singleton).—At a special meeting of the Patrick's Plains Shire Council, it was decided to purchase an allotment of land at the corner of George and Macquarie streets, Singleton, on which it is intended to build a shire hall.

SUTHERLAND.—The council met on Monday. Councillor Hyndman, in the absence of the president, occupied the chair. Mr. Downes, M.L.A., sent a letter intimating that he had interviewed Mr. Lee on the subject of the tramway, who had informed him that tenders would be called for the work as soon as the present survey was completed.

TARRO (West Maitland).—A rate of 1d in the £ on the unimproved value of the land has been struck.

WARADGERY (Hay).—The monthly meeting of the council was held on Tuesday. The president, who had been attending the shires conference in Sydney, stated that he had interviewed the Minister, and had asked him to put the Maude punt in the same position as the other ferries on the Murrumbidgee, and that he had promised to do so, not later than the 1st July. A promise had also been given that a grant would be made for the repair of the Booligal to Hay road, which is used chiefly by residents of the western division. A letter from the Under Secretary, conveying permission to strike a rate of ¼d in the £ was read. The tanks at all the public watering places in the shire were reported to be full, and the wells in good order.

WINGECARRIBEE (Moss Vale).—A letter was received from the Department of Public Works stating that the following sums had been allotted to the council as special grants for roads:—£140, Robertson, via Belmore Falls, to Fitzroy Falls, length about 19 miles, on condition that the council spend £270; £25, Robertson, via Carrington Falls, to Jamberoo Mountain, length about five miles, on condition that the council spend £90; and £50 for road, Bundanoon to The Gullies, length about one and a half mile. In reference to the first-named grant the clerk was instructed to write to the department pointing out that on various occasions the grant for the road mentioned had been £200 conditionally upon the council spending an additional £170, and to ask that similar conditions be observed on this occasion. Re the grant for road from Robertson to Jamberoo, the clerk was instructed to write to the department, and explain that a large sum of money has already been expended on that road in excess of the amount stipulated by the department, and to ask that the grant be made unconditional.

CITY CORONER'S COURT.

A CHEMIST'S DEATH.

The death of George Stevens, chemist, aged 48, at the Prince Alfred Hospital on the 6th inst, formed the subject of an inquest at the City Coroner's Court yesterday. The evidence of deceased's son was that his father had diarrhoea for a couple of weeks, and came home about twice in the last fortnight. He said he came home to die, and that his heart was bad. As long as witness could remember, deceased had taken medicine for his heart. Dr. A. A. Palmer, Government medical officer, who made a post-mortem examination of the body, said that certain traces of strychnine mentioned in a report of the Government Analyst were not sufficient to cause death. In witness's opinion deceased probably died from renal and cardiac disease. A patient suffering from renal and cardiac disease in its final stages might show symptoms resembling those of narcotic poisoning. A verdict of death from natural causes, to wit, renal and cardiac disease, was returned.

DEATH UNDER ANESTHETIC.

As the result of an inquest regarding the death of Patrick Barrett, aged 71, who died at Prince Alfred Hospital under an anesthetic on 18th inst, the City Coroner gave a verdict of failure of the heart's action. He further found that the anesthetic was properly administered for the proposed surgical operation, and when unfavourable symptoms manifested themselves every effort to restore animation was made.

AUCTION SALES TO-DAY.

HOUSES AND LAND.

RICHARDSON and WRENCH.—At the Rooms, at 11.30, Houses and Land.

FURNITURE AND MERCHANDISE.

At 59 Belgrave-street, Neutral Bay, at 11, Furniture, etc.

At Penkivil-street, Bondi, at 12, Furniture, etc.

J. R. LAWSON and LITTLE.—At the Rooms, at 11, Pianos, Pianola, Furniture, Motor Car, etc.

STRONGMAN, WATSON, and HAWKINS.—At Lord-street, Roseville, at 2, Furniture, etc.

H. HAINS.—At the Rooms, at 11, Watches, Cash Register, Fancy Goods, etc.

J. P. LISTER.—At the Rooms, at 11, Clothing, Boots, etc; at 3, Jewellery, etc.

E. H. BRODRIBB.—At the Rooms, at 11, Pianos, Furniture, etc.

H. LEVY.—At Abercrombie-street, at 10, Piano, Furniture, Sewing Machine, etc.

MIDDLETON and CO.—At 259 Palmerston-terrace, Glebe, at 11, Piano, Furniture, etc; at 170 George-street West, at 2.30, Clothing, Boots, etc.

STATION PRODUCE.

G. MOXHAM and CO.—At the Wool Exchange, at 10.30, Sheepskins; at 1.30, Hides.

FARM AND DAIRY PRODUCE.

R. T. MURPHY and CO.—At their Rooms and Yards, at 1, Sucking Pigs, Pork, etc; at 2, Eggs, Butter, Bacon, etc; at 2.30, Poultry, etc.

C. J. TURNER.—At his Rooms, at 1.15, Ducklings, Chicks, etc; at 1.30, Eggs, Poultry, etc.

MOSSMAN and ELLIS.—At their Saleyards, at 1, Vealers, Porkers, Butter, Cheese, Bacon, Eggs, Poultry, Honey, etc.

HORSES, VEHICLES, AND HARNESS.

W. INGLIS and SON.—At the Bazaar, at 10.30, 11, and 12, Horses, Vehicles, and Harness; at Camperdown Yards, at 2.30, Horses.

J. H. BEALE.—At Camperdown Yards, at 2, Horses.

MISCELLANEOUS.

J. COWAN.—At Buckland-street, at 11, Building Materials, etc.

The Imperial Outlook.—This is the title of an interesting page appearing in the "Sydney Mail" this week. Among the portraits are King Edward and M. Fallieres (President of France), King Edward and the German Emperor; Mr. Asquith, the British Premier; the Kaiser as a baby, as a lieutenant; Germany's latest Dreadnought, Count Zeppelin, Prince von Bulow.—Advt.

PROPOSED RAILWAY SUPERANNUATION FUND.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—"To be or not to be? That is the question." Hamlet's query applied in this instance to a superannuation fund is seriously engaging the attention not only of the employees of the Chief Commissioner for Railways and Tramways, but the general public, judging from the remarks in your journal from time to time.

Pamphlets, speeches, and articles calling attention to the problem, and advocating various kinds of solutions, have been abundant for many years. The supporters of the scheme, however, appear to have quite forgotten that there are two sides to every question, and have descanted with much fluency upon the benefits of the above fund, and consequently the disadvantages seem to have been entirely lost sight of, but I hope, with your kind permission, to criticise some general and prima facie objections, especially in respect to the proposed compulsory provision, as the Chief Commissioner has stated that "he was quite prepared to take the necessary steps for the establishment of such a fund, and probably make it optional for the existing members of the staff to join, but he would make it compulsory for all new members. He should make it a condition of entering the service."

I trust it is not hypercritical to remark that the gravity of the declaration that "he would make it compulsory for all new members" might have shown a greater show of deliberation.

I at once admit the proposed schemes are not absolutely devoid of advantages; denial of them would indeed be ridiculous, but beneficent as they may appear on the surface, the proposals for providing for the old age of railway and tramway servants have a strong undercurrent of baneful influence.

It will doubtless be remembered that when Canon Blackley's compulsory scheme of providing for old age was inquired into by a select committee of the House of Commons, they regarded the proposed compulsion to subscribe as open to very strong objections, as they believed "that the great majority of the working class would prefer to provide their own insurance for old age in their own way, rather than be parties to any compulsory scheme. Anything which tended to undermine the self-taught habits of thrift and self-help which prevail among the working class to a considerable extent, or to lead the wage-earners of the country to rely for support upon a national pension fund practically guaranteed by the State, might be fraught with disastrous consequences. It might lessen the feeling of responsibility which is shared by a constantly-increasing number of the working-class of providing for their old age for themselves."

It has also been shown by other select committees of the British House of Commons "that compulsion must necessarily be injurious to independence of character," and as Mr. Goschen has asserted, "you cannot have a system of compulsory State-aided pensions without depriving working men of liberty, and of many privileges which they enjoy."

While on the question of compulsion, it might be pointed out that when the industrial unions (and their greatest opponents will admit they are as a rule beneficial to the working classes) approached the Commissioners with a view to giving "preference to unionists and compelling employees to join their respective unions after being in the service one month," such a request was declined—and rightly so—on the grounds that it was unfair and unreasonable. Notwithstanding this, however, the Commissioners now propose to compel their employees to subscribe to a superannuation fund. One of these institutions claims benefits for the employee during the working period of his life, the other when his working day is over. If, therefore, it is desirable to compel employees to subscribe to the latter, why not to the former? It would be interesting to learn the Commissioner's explanation of such inconsistency.

If the Chief Commissioner withdraws the compulsion clause, then the most important ground for complaint would disappear, although others of not so grave a character would still remain. The cost of inauguration and maintenance of a railway superannuation fund is a waste of public money, inasmuch that such a fund is unnecessary.

A reasonable man may see fit to ensure himself against the uncertain risk of excessive sickness or premature death, but the risk of old age is of a totally different nature. When a man has insured against sickness and death, it is more than likely he cannot earmark any more of his savings for a fund he may never live to enjoy, and one in which his widow and family cannot participate. He would rather save all he can, and possibly purchase property, or invest in a profitable business. In spite of many drawbacks, it is certain, and the writer has made inquiries, that a considerable number of the Commissioners' employees have, by building societies and other means, made a substantial provision for their declining years. Many have acquired a little property in house and land, which yield them an income which helps to sustain them when past work, and which will also assist their wives and families after death.

Let us put the following question to ourselves. How many in our own circle are providing for old age by beginning at the age of 25 to purchase an annuity? It would probably be found our united experience of such persons could be counted on the fingers of one hand. Such being the case, why then should the Commissioners try to tempt or to compel their employees to do a thing which is evidently so unusual among the general community?

The fact is that old age is not a risk which a prudent man, as a rule, will seek to cover by insurance. Insurance is obviously designed to cover an uncertain risk. A wise man insures against the risks which may come suddenly and early, like sickness, death, want of work; when he has done this, and while he is doing it, he collects a home about him, he starts his children in life, and he increases his deposit in the bank. When old age comes he has children bound to him by gratitude for early care; he has his little capital at the bank; in property, and perhaps in a little business; and his life is probably insured. This sort of thing is going on in many of the families of the Commissioners' servants, and I venture to think it would be the height of presumption for the rough hand of law to interfere to coerce or cajole the workman into preferring the remote risk of his old age, which, as I have already said, he may never live to see, to the more obvious claims of sickness, wife, and children, more especially as a patient, frugal attention to these will not leave his old age unprovided for.

Another serious objection to a superannuation fund is, the removal of the personal responsibility of the individual to provide for his old age, and as a well-known writer states, "Personal responsibility is the automatic principle which has brought society thus far on its journey, and there is no reason why we should seek to make it abdicate its authority for such voyage as lies before us in the future," and further, "Personal responsibility necessitates personal action."

The wage-earner who is pensionable is no longer encouraged to be thrifty, seeing that, whether he squander or whether he save, he rests comfortably assured of a sufficiency to eke out his declining years, and rarely thinks, to use the words of the well-known dictum, the "Apres moi le deluge." "It is for this reason," quotes Captain Peters, "that we often encounter the families of the pensionable wage-earner, accustomed during the life of the pension to comfort, if not affluence, reduced, by the cessation of pension at his death, to a penury far greater, by comparison, than is to be met with among families of the non-pensionable wage-earner of an equivalent position in life."

It will, therefore, be conceded that mature consideration should be given before deciding to spend about £30,000 of the public money for a certain section of the Government employees, when such a large amount is already paid by the State for old-age pensions. I feel confident that if the employee is paid suitable wages for his services,—which he undoubtedly would be if the amount proposed to be contributed towards a superannuation fund was distributed among the lower-paid servants as increments in wages and salary,—he would be in a much better position to provide for his own old age in his own way.

As pension schemes are more irrevocable than any ordinary kind of legislation, in consequence of the deferred and constantly accumulating liability which they involve, which makes them specially difficult to commute or readjust to new conditions, it is of extreme importance that the greatest care should be taken in making any initial experiment.

I am, etc., L. C. M.

SPORTING.

THE TURF.

The programme for City Tattersall's Autumn Meeting at Randwick on April 24 is announced, and entries for the half-dozen items comprised therein are invited by the secretary, Mr. Frank Walton, up to 4 p.m. on April 5. The prize money totals £800, of which £200 endows City Tattersall's Handicap, and £150 each the Flying Handicap and Club Welter; while each of the others carries £100.

The satisfactory total of 171 entries was received yesterday for the pony and galloway meeting at Victoria Park on the 31st inst.

Mr. Adrian Knox, the chairman of the A.J.C., is a passenger to England by the steamer Orontes, and Mr. W. A. Long travels by the same boat.

A fog, which was in evidence at Randwick yesterday for a time, partially obscured the track work along the back stretch. The outer section of the course proper was available for work, and was good going. Maltine again distinguished herself by casting a mile astern in the good time of 1m 45½s, and the Queensland crack, Flaxen, ran an attractive seven furlongs in 1m 33½s. Miss Maltster and Indolent each put in a sound six-furlong gallop, and a furlong less in 1m 9s was the task allotted to Also. Lord Nolan put in a solidly run once round, while Leuron and Blue Hook spurted, as did Necia and Mount Royal; while Bobby, By Play, and Potosi worked usefully over six furlongs. Golden Slipper and Welcome Trist were sent a mile, at the end of which the filly, who ran wide, was several lengths in advance of her stable mate, the journey occupying 1m 47s. King Berry and Son of the Marsh cast seven furlongs behind in 1m 34s, and Artillerie and Solus registered similar time over a like trip. Lady Diddence and Pendil were associated for a gallop over a mile and a quarter, which took 2m 20s. Neith registered a sound gallop, and Seddon slipped over a mile in 1m 48s. Parsee had more to say than Heiro at the end of a gallop over seven furlongs, for which the watch showed 1m 33½s. Monobel and To and Fro took 1m 49½s to cover a mile, and 1m 19½s was the time occupied over six furlongs by King's Cross and Vavasor. Seven furlongs in 1m 37s was Ungarie's contribution to the morning's work, while Kyeadgerie and Call Boy spurted. M'Ilwraith and Forgive shaped attractively over five furlongs, as also did Kiltie, Danilo, and Sequarious. Mundoie, Lord Cecil, and Virtu worked on the tan, and a number of the regulars were also out.

The management of City Tattersall's Club has made arrangements for its annual picnic, which takes place at Correy's Gardens, Cabarita, on Tuesday.

Racing fixtures out West (wires our Dubbo correspondent) are the Macquarie Picnic Race Club's annual meeting, on the 18th and 19th of May; the Dubbo Jockey Club holds a meeting on the 7th and 8th of that month.

Peep-o'-Day Picnic Race Club (April 12), Breeza (March 27), Eugowra Jockey Club (April 7), and Barraba Picnic Race Club (April 28) race meetings have been granted registration by the A.J.C.

The scratchings registered yesterday in connection with the second day of the Rosehill Autumn Meeting were:—Florance out of the Rawson Stakes; Florance, Jollymont, Also, Dryite, and Black Mark out of the Carlingford Mile; Diastase and Malt King out of the Nursery Handicap; Poser, Dryite, Legation, and Black Mark out of the Clyde Stakes; and Dorcas out of the Granville Stakes.

In view of the coming racing campaign at Randwick, "Forsyth's Racing Chronicle" is opportunely published, and the copy to hand contains the lists of candidates for the Doncaster Handicap and Sydney Cup, together with particulars of breeding, age, and sex, and past performances up to the 13th inst. It is a handy work of reference, and bears evidence of care and accuracy in compilation.

Our Wellington (N.Z.) correspondent cables that Mr. G. P. Donnelly is sending the steeplechaser Gold Seal to England, to compete in the English steeplechase events, under his nomination.

Our Coolgardie correspondent telegraphs that P. K. Hurst, the rider of Pat in the Flying Handicap at the Coolgardie races on Wednesday, was disqualified for two years.

AUSTRALIAN JOCKEY CLUB.

COMMITTEE MEETING.

The monthly meeting of the Australian Jockey Club was held yesterday, when permits to ride in races were granted to William Swanson, John Tyler, and P. S. O'Neill; No. 2 trainers' licenses to C. O. Battye and John Hourigan; and jockeys' licenses to A. A. Oliver, A. A. Wood, and Albert M'Crimmon.

The appeal of John Sheedy against the decision of the stewards of the Wallsend Jockey Club in disqualifying him for two years in connection with the High case was dismissed, as were also the appeals of R. Johns against the stewards of the Tamworth Jockey Club in disqualifying him for 12 months, and the appeal of A. Irwin against the decision of the Collarenebri Jockey Club in the matter of his disqualification.

Mr. J. H. Clough was allowed to amend the nomination of Eppo for both hurdle races at the autumn meeting.

In reference to an inquiry from the Wallsend Jockey Club with regard to the distribution of prize money, the secretary was notified that, provided the sums distributed during the racing season totalled an average of £300 a meeting, the money could be disbursed as the committee might deem best.

It was decided to inform the secretaries of the Macleay River Jockey Club and the Richmond River Turf Club that the formation of racing associations was approved by the committee, and that the A.J.C. would give every assistance in the matter of furnishing stipendiary stewards when required. It was also resolved to notify the Boolaroo, Coonamble, and other clubs that the committee would do all that was possible to supply stipendiary stewards when requested; in fact, the committee were now inviting applications from persons willing to act as travelling stipendiary stewards under the control of the A.J.C.

Mr. Adrian Knox, who has left on a trip to England, was granted leave of absence to July 31, and Dr. Ewan Frazer was appointed acting chairman in the interim. Messrs. E. M. Betts, R. C. Allen, and A. Hooke were appointed to act as stewards at the autumn meeting.

The disqualification imposed by the Cullenbone stewards on January 1, 1909, on W. Schmidt was removed, as was the disqualification of the gelding Odd Socks, incurred under rule 6.

The following sums were voted from the distressed jockeys' fund:—L. Grey, £10; G. Whitehall, £25; and Mrs. T. Clayton, £100.

SUBSTANTIAL INCREASE OF STAKES.

The committee adopted the racing programme for the season, 1909-10, and made substantial increases in the prize money, aggregating upwards of £4000. In connection with the Spring Meeting, the added money for the Epsom Handicap, 1909, has been increased from 1000 to 1500 sovs, of which 300 and 150 sovs go to the second and third horses, respectively; the Metropolitan prize has been increased from 2500 to 3000 sovs, with 500 and 250 sovs for second and third horses, respectively; the prize for the Suburban Handicap has been increased from 300 to 400 sovs, from which comes 80 and 40 sovs each for second and third horses; and the prize for the Members' Handicap, on the fourth day of the reunion, has been increased from 300 to 500 sovs, second and third horses to receive 100 and 50 sovs respectively. The prize money for the Villiers Stakes, the principal event of the December Meeting, has been increased from 400 to 500 sovs, second and third horses to receive 100 and 50 sovs respectively; and in connection with that reunion the prize money for the Trial Stakes, Nursery Handicap, Grand Stand Stakes, and Highweight Handicap has been increased £50 each. In connection with the June Meeting, the prize money has been increased by 450 sovs, and 200 sovs endows the Flying Handicap—an extra race place on the programme for the second day of the reunion; the prize for the Prince of Wales Stakes has been increased by 100 sovs, and those for the Novice Handicap, the Nursery Handicap, and the Exeter Stakes by 50 sovs each.

Both hurdle races have been eliminated from the programme for the Anniversary Meeting, and races on the flat substituted—an amateur race and a w.f.a. event, known as the Centenary Stakes, each endowed with 200 sovs; while the prizes for the Trial Stakes, January Handicap, Welter, Novice, and Highweight Handicaps have each been increased by 50 sovs.

For the Autumn Meeting, 1910, appreciable expansions have also been made as regards the added money. The prize for the Doncaster Handicap has been raised from 1000 to 1500 sovs, of which 300 and 150 sovs go to second and third horse respectively; the Maiden Stakes, on the second day, has been eliminated, and a handicap over a mile and a quarter and endowed with 300 sovs, substituted. The prize for the Sydney Cup has been raised from 2500 to 3000 sovs, of which 500 and 250 sovs go to second and third horses respectively, while the conditions have been altered, to provide that the winner of the V.R.C. or A.J.C. St. Leger shall carry w.f.a.; and the added money for the Rous Handicap on the fourth day has been increased from 300 to 500 sovs, of which 100 and 50 sovs respectively go to second and third horses.

A few alterations were made in the distances of the races. That for the First Hurdle Race in the spring has been reduced from two and a quarter to two miles, the Second Hurdle Race from three to two and a half miles, and the distance for the Randwick Plate from two and a quarter to two miles. The journey for the First Nursery Handicap in connection with the Autumn Meeting has been increased from seven furlongs to a mile, and the First and Second Hurdle Races have been reduced to two and two and a half miles respectively. The lowest weight in connection with the Highweight Handicap in the programme for the Spring Meeting has been altered from 8st 7lb to 8st.

BEGA DISTRICT JOCKEY CLUB.

MARCH HANDICAP WON BY ORIZELLE.

BEGA, Thursday.

The Bega District Jockey Club's autumn race meeting was concluded to-day, when the attendance was good, and the weather fine, though threatening. In the Final Handicap, Martin Ryan, the rider of Simonides, had one of his legs badly hurt through the horse running into several posts. The bay mare, Orizelle, Edward Hockaday (jockey) and Thomas Wiseman (trainer), were disqualified for 12 months for inconsistent running and suspicious practices in the Trial Handicap, run on the first day.

Following are the results of the racing:—

Welter Handicap of £25, 6f.—Matthew Donaldson's b g Gauline, by Gaulus—Pauline, 4yrs, 8st 1lb (Wiles), 1; Thomas Kennelly's bl g Wonga, 4yrs, 10st 2lb (White), 2; A. W. M'Carthy's ch m Don't Forget, 3yrs, 8st (Collins), 3. Other starters: Caubeen, 10st 11lb; Jacobite, 1st 10lb; Tattler, 1st 8lb; Hero, 9st 6lb; Amiee, 8st. Betting: 6 to 4 v Wonga, 3 to 1 v Jacobite, 4 to 1 each v Caubeen and Tattler, 6 to 1 v Hero, 10 to 1 each v Gauline, Don't Forget, and Amiee. Won by a neck, two lengths between second and third. Time, 1m 18s.

March Handicap, of £45, 1m and 110yds.—R. C. Cooper's b m Orizelle, by Orzil (imp.)—Rozelle, 5yrs, 8st 9lb, incl. 5lb penalty (Hockaday), 1; M. Thornton's g h Simonides, 4yrs, 10st 9lb (M. Ryan), 2; William Hibburd's b or br m Woodrose, 6yrs, 9st 8lb, incl. 4lb penalty (Galli), 3. Other starters: Air Gun, 9st; Lemonwood, 6st 11lb. Betting: 6 to 4 v Woodrose, 2 to 1 v Simonides, 5 to 1 v Orizelle, 7 to 1 v Lemonwood, 10 to 1 v Air Gun. Won by a neck, two lengths between second and third. Time, 1m 51 4-5s.

Second Hurdle Race, of £30, 2m and 150yds.—H. Clough's ch g Eppo, by Epinicion—Actress, aged, 11st 4lb (M. Ryan), 1; David Dunsmore, jun.'s, b g Manitoba, aged, 1st 7lb (Haigh), 2. Betting: 6 to 4 on Eppo, even money on Manitoba. A good race. Won by three lengths. Time, 4m 14s.

Nursery Handicap, of £20, 6f.—Thomas Underhill's ch g Iconium, by Seneschal—Flamingo, 2yrs, 9st 5lb (White), 1; Wren and Hayden's bl f Woodbird, 2yrs, 8st 12lb (P. Galli), 2. Betting: 5 to 2 on Iconium, 2 to 1 v Woodbird. Won easily. Time, 1m 20½s.

Final Handicap of £25, 7f.—William Hibburd's br m Sennawood, by Seneschal—Rosewood, 4yrs, 9st 12lb (Galli), 1; Bede Sharpe's b g Caubeen, 5yrs, 8st 6lb (White), 2; Frank Donaldson's b g Tattler, 5yrs, 9st 6lb (Hutton), 3. Other starters: Simonides, 10st 8lb; Selah, 9st. Betting: Even money on Sennawood, 3 to 1 each v Simonides and Selah, 7 to 1 each v Caubeen and Tattler. Won by a length and three-quarters, six lengths between second and third. Time, 1m 34s.

Time Handicap Trot of £15, 1½m.—J. M. Jauncey's b g Salvos, by Salvator—Betty, 4yrs, 6s bhd (owner), 1; L. F. Bartley's bl m Fathleen, aged, 18s bhd (J. M. Bartley), 2; Richard Gleeson's bl g Peeping Tom, aged, scr (P. Hayden), 3. Other starters: Rebelwood, 2s bhd; Toronto, 22s bhd; Goldlock, 6s bhd; Fritzwood, Killarney, and Velocity, scr. Betting: 6 to 4 v Rebelwood, 2 to 1 v Salvos, 5 to 10 to 1 v others. Time, 4m 5s.

MOREE RACING CLUB.

DALRYMPLE WINS THE HANDICAP.

MOREE, Thursday.

The Moree Racing Club continued its meeting today. In the handicap hack race Dalmene fell at the turn, and broke his back. The jockey Gilmore sustained a fracture of one of his wrists, and was sent to the Moree Hospital. A protest was entered in the Farewell Handicap, and will be decided to-night.

Results:—

Flying Handicap of 15 sovs, 6f.—J. C. Lenon's No Trumps, by Spendthrift—Antoza mare, 8st 6lb (Bracken), 1; J. W. Waldron's Anatroff, 9st 5lb (Gilmore), 2; R. D. Jurd's Schnapper, 8st 1lb (Heffernan), 3. Other starter: Lord Leigh. Betting: 6 to 4 v Anatroff, 2 to 1 v No Trumps, 4 to 1 v Schnapper, 5 to 1 v Lord Leigh. Time, 1m 16½s.

Handicap Hack Race of 10 sovs, 6f.—E. Honnery's Murlow, by Mozart—Clarabelle, 9st 5lb (Stafford), 1; R. Thurston's Squander, 7st 11lb (Fuller), 2; T. A. Stirton's Bridesman, 7st 7lb (Burrows), 3. Other starters: Dalmene and Imago. Betting: 3 to 1 v Murlow, 2 to 1 v Dalmene, 4 to 1 v Squander, 5 to 1 each v Bridesman and Imago. Time, 1m 19s.

Moree Racing Club Handicap of 35 sovs, second horse 5 from prize, 9f.—R. T. Thurston's Dalrymple, by Dalmeny—Valeria, 6st 7lb (Heffernan), 1; Mr. Omus' Cimmil, 8st 4lb (Courtney), 2; W. Ricketts, Goldlock, 7st 13lb (Burrows), 3. Other starters: Opportune and Nemesis. Betting: 3 to 1 v Dalrymple, 2 to 1 v Cimmil, 6 to 4 v Goldlock, 7 to 1 v Opportune, 3 to 1 v Nemesis. Time, 2m.

Autumn Handicap of 10 sovs, 7f.—E. J. Jurd's Grandella, by Grandoria—Stella, 7st 7lb (Coyne), 1; C. Wethered's Nimrod, 9st 9lb (Baker), 2; W. Waldron's Lady Meanie, 8st 10lb (Fuller), 3. Other starters: Ruin, Thuraggie. Betting: 4 to 1 v Grandella, 6 to 4 each v Nimrod and Lady Meanie, 6 to 1 v Thuraggie, 10 to 1 v Ruin. Time, 1m 32s.

Commonwealth Handicap of 12 sovs, 6f.—R. D. Jurd's Schnapper, by Valorous—Booroomooka, mare, 8st 12lb (M'Innes), 1; E. C. Maiden's Exile, 6st 13lb (Fuller), 2; A. Rose's Lord Leigh, 8st 5lb (Baker), 3. Other starters: Thurlow, Grudnah, Pointer. Betting: 5 to 4 v Schnapper, 6 to 1 v Exile, 4 to 1 each v Lord Leigh and Gradnah, 3 to 1 v Murlow, 6 to 1 v Pointer. Time, 1m 9½s.

Farewell Handicap of 15 sovs, second horse 2 sovs from prize, 7f.—Nimrod, by Miletus—Silvermaid, 8st 5lb (Heffernan), 1; No Trumps, 8st 10lb (Bracken), 2. Other starter: Opportune. A protest was entered against the winner.

PARKES JOCKEY CLUB.

OTHO WINS JOCKEY CLUB HANDICAP.

PARKES, Thursday.

The second day's racing in connection with the annual meeting of the Parkes Jockey Club took place to-day. The weather was threatening. There were a good attendance and large fields. At the inquiry re the Town Plate protest last night, Claude Loftus was disqualified for the race. His owner intends to appeal against the decision.

Results:—

Flying Handicap, 6f.—Bowman's Melyra, 8st 3lb (Smith), 1; M'Kinnon's Prospector, 7st 9lb, inc. 4lb over (Davis), 2; J. R. Strickland's Redway, 8st, inc. 2lb over (Jones), 3. Betting: 5 to 4 v Prospector, 3 to 1 each v Combine and Redway, 4 to 1 v Melyra. Won by a length and a quarter. Time, 1m 16½s.

Brolgan Handicap, 6f.—Dr. Boazman's Kielder, 9st 9lb (Davis), 1; H. D. O'Brien's The Alchymist, 7st 12lb (Cassin), 2; J. T. Jones' Silver Rose, 8st 2lb (Clancy), 3. Betting: 7 to 4 v Amilcorn, 2 to 1 v Kielder, 3 to 1 v Silver Rose. Won by half a length. Time, 1m 18 4-5s.

Parkes J. C. Handicap, 1¼m.—C. Smith's Otho, by Voyou (imp.)—Wilgama, 7st 8lb (W. H. Smith), 1; H. C. Betts's Status, 8st 2lb (Willis), 2; W. Makin's Lady Alice, 8st 2lb (Clancy), 3. Betting: 6 to 4 on Status, 3 to 1 v Lady Alice, 4 to 1 v Otho. A splendid race, won by a long neck. Time, 2m 11 4-5s.

Nelungaloo Handicap, 6f.—G. Langham's Ayrbrook, 9st 4lb (Pratt), 1; P. Hayden's Asthore, 8st 9lb (Lee), 2; W. Langby's Liteboat, 8st 9lb (Jones), 3. Betting: Even money on Ayrbrook, 3 to 1 v Asthore, 4 to 1 v St. Louis. Won easily. Time, 1m 17s.

Final Handicap, 7f.—M. K., 7st 2lb, 1; Redway, 7st 9lb, 2; More Battle, 6st 7lb, 3. Time, 1m 31s.

COOLGARDIE RACING CLUB.

AI WINS SUMMER HANDICAP.

COOLGARDIE (W.A.), Wednesday.

The Coolgardie Racing Club commenced its summer meeting to-day, when the weather was fine and the attendance good. Following are the results:—

Hampton Hurdle Race of 50 sovs, 2m.—Esmond, by The Inquisitor—Lady Alma, 12st 1lb (Pinkus), 1; Ruchy, 9st 5lb (Marret), 2; Harmour, 10st 3lb (Hurst), 3. Other starter: Napoleon, 9st. Betting: 2 to 1 v Esmond. Won by a length; half a length between second and third. Time, 3m 55s. Dividend, £2 1s.

Trial Stakes of 40 sovs, 6f.—Footman, by Footway—Christer, 8st 11lb (Body), 1; King o' Scots, 8st 7lb (Matthews), 2; Rapid Rise, 8st 10lb (Barry), 3. Other starter: Ilia, 8st 7lb (Sheddon). Betting: 6 to 4 v Footman. Won by a length. Time, 1m 16 3-5s. Dividend, £1 8s.

Summer Handicap of 80 sovs, 7f.—A1, by Grafton (n.p.)—Tipton, 6st 12lb (Matthews), 1; Percival, 8st 1lb (Drew), 2; Boy, 7st 6lb (Barry), 3. Other starters: Lady Agnes, 10st; Clsay, 8st 5lb; Thackeray, 8st 4lb; Altone, 7st 12lb; Nucifera, 7st 11lb; Comatawah, 7st 8lb; Safe Deposit, 7st. Betting: 5 to 2 v Nucifera, 6 to 1 v A1. Won by a length; half a length between second and third. Time, 1m 28 4-5s. Dividend, £5 4s.

Calocla Welter of 40 sovs, 1¼m.—Chimer, by Nobleman—Curfew, 8st 10lb (Marett), 1; Prince Charlie, 10st 5lb (Brooks), 2; Rio Grande, 7st 7lb (Sutherland), 3. Other starter: Lord Strathmore, 8st 11lb. Betting: 5 to 4 v Prince Charlie, 6 to 4 v Chimer. Dividend, £1 5s. Won by a length and a quarter; two and a half lengths between second and third. Time, 2m 14 4-5s.

Flying Handicap of 40 sovs, 5½f.—Tristalee, by Sir Tristram (imp.)—Buriee, 7st 6lb (Matthews), 1; Durrwil, 6st 8lb (Marret), 2; Levuka, 7st 1lb (Body), 3. Other starters: Trouble, 9st 13lb; Altone, 9st 8lb; Pat, 8st 3lb; Forest Charm, 6st 12lb. Betting: 3 to 1 v Pat, 9 to 2 v Tristalee. Dividend, £2 7s. Won by a head; three-quarters of a length between second and third. Time, 1m 9 1-5s.

Kunnanalling Mile of 50 sovs, 1m.—Wallace Park, by North Park—Florrie, 7st (Matthews), 1; Laughing Water, 7st 8lb (Sutherland), 2; Percival, 9st 2lb (Drew), 3. Other starters: Chimer, 7st; Torra, 6st 12lb; Romulus, 6st 8lb. Betting: 2 to 1 v Percival, 6 to 1 v Wallace Park. Dividend, £2 5s. Won by three lengths; two lengths between second and third. Time, 1m 43 3-5s.

ATHLETICS.

BOTANY HARRIERS.

The following are the handicaps for the 10-mile road race, to be decided next Saturday afternoon, at 3.30, over the Gardeners-road, Bunnerong, course; start and finish at Thornton's Hotel, North Botany:—C. Weyman, scr; A. Stine, 2m; R. Fitzsimmons, R. Roy, 2m 30s; J. Rowe, W. Sairell, A. Chapman, R. Whipp, 4m 30s; J. Webster, H. Flowers, 5m; E. Fazackerley, G. Butler, 5m 30s; G. Lacey, H. O'Reilly, J. Kenny, G. Bamford, T. Hutchin, 6m; J. Mealing, 7m; W. M'Laren, 9m; L. W. Turton, F. Kay, 10m; A. Barclay, J. Dwyod, J. Lewis, J. E. Devitt, C. F. Jackson, 12m.

BENDIGO EASTER FAIR.

Entries close for the athletic and other events at the Bendigo Easter Fair on 27th inst, with the secretary, Mr. J. Walker, Bendigo.

CRICKET.

INTERSTATE TOBACCO COMPANIES' MATCH.

The following will represent N.S.W. in the first interstate tobacco companies' match against Victoria, to be played on Manly Oval, Easter Saturday and Monday:—

E. E. Bennett (captain), A. E. Carroll, J. H. Mackinlay, P. G. Hooff (Kronheimer, Ltd.), A. W. Emery, E. G. Terry, R. Wadley (Australian Tobacco Co.), G. W. Haughton, R. Small (W. D. and H. O. Wills, Ltd.), F. W. Morgan, L. Poole (B.A.T. Company); 12, F. M'Donough (Kronheimer, Ltd.); 13, H. Kimberley (B.A.T. Company).

The Victorian team will be selected from the following:—S. F. Hammond (captain), W. A. Annois, J. A. Bolderman, P. M. Burke, J. Gibson, F. A. S. Smith, J. J. Trickett (Kronheimer, Ltd.), J. E. Anderson, R. Adams, E. B. Clark, G. M'Kay, W. E. Trott (B.A.T. Company), W. D. Lawry (States Tobacco Co.).

WEDNESDAY COMPETITION.

Rockdale against Rozelle Tramway compiled 180 runs in their first innings (E. Preddy 84, and V. Murphy 44). Rozelle Tramway have made 75 for three wickets (L. Paull 25 not out, E. Welsh 20 not out). Bowling for Tramway, J. Farry took seven wickets for 56 runs, F. Garside two for 33, A. Hodgins one for 15; and for Rockdale, L. Viles obtained three for 24.

PROTECTING THE WICKETS.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

Some months ago C. A. Mudie, an old Lancashire cricketer, who has been a Melbourne resident for many years, wrote letters to the Victorian Cricket Association and Board of Control, suggesting that it would be advisable to have some appliance by which the wicket might be covered so as to prevent it being spoiled by rain. On November 24 last year he wrote to the Marylebone Cricket Club, with full particulars of his scheme and ideas. Neither the Victorian Association nor the Board of Control took any serious notice of the letter, but by last week's English mail Mr. Mudie received the following letter from F. E. Lacey, secretary of the Marylebone C.C.:—"In further reply to your letter of November 24, it will interest you to know that a resolution of the secretaries of the first-class counties regarding the advisability of covering the wicket is at the present time under consideration."

FOOTBALL.

QUIRINDI DISTRICT RUGBY F. U.

The first annual meeting of the above union was held on Monday at the local School of Arts. There was a very large attendance. Mr. W. Robey occupied the chair. The secretary's report showed a very successful season, the Quirindi Club winning the R. P. Browne challenge cup, also the 18 medals presented by Messrs. F. H. Watt, C. P. Thomas, J. H. Jacobs, T. H. Abbott, and W. Robey. The Waratah team were the runners-up. The election of officers resulted:—Patrons, Messrs. R. P. Browne, A. B. Pyke (Yurraman); president, Mr. F. H. Watt; vice-president, Mr. W. Robey; hon. treasurer, Mr. T. Abbott; hon. secretary, Mr. J. Clarke; auditors, Messrs. E. Cadell and J. O. Walker. Arrangements are being made for a representative team of the union to visit Sydney for Easter Saturday, to play Newtown or a metropolitan fifteen.

AUSTRALIAN RULES.

EAST SYDNEY CLUB.

The sixth annual meeting of the above club was held at Hyde Park Hall, William-street, on Wednesday night, Mr. E. C. V. Broughton, M.L.A., presiding. A large number of members and supporters were present, and great enthusiasm was shown. The annual report for season 1908 showed that the club had had a very successful season, playing 16 matches—winning 12 and losing 4—scoring 853 points to 571 scored against them, and were the only team in the competition to lower the colours of the premiers (Y.M.C.A.), but were defeated by that team in the final for the Sir Harry Rawson cup.

The election of new members resulted in the addition of 16 names to the roll. Officers for the ensuing season were elected as follow:—Patrons, Mr. G. H. Reid, M.P., the Lord Mayor of Sydney; president, Mr. E. C. V. Broughton, M.L.A.; vice-presidents, Colonel G. H. Irving, Aldermen E. Milner Stephen and N. Lewis, Messrs. J. E. West, F. Spora, Ashur Hart, J.P., E. W. Butler, J.P., A. Fick, C. Cupit, A. H. Ransom, F. J. Ransom, E. Burns, W. Pyne, W. Rice, A. Bromby, L. F. Pomeroy, J. Jackett, S. Ovens, D. Hutchinson, G. E. Culverwell, and W. Burton; hon. treasurer, Mr. M. H. Thomas; hon. secretary, Mr. D. Bullas; hon. assistant secretary, Mr. F. Cozens; delegates to N.S.W. Football League, Messrs. Goldie, Thomas, and Ashur Hart; committee, Messrs. Stan. Hedger, F. Barber, W. M'Laughlin, R. Henderson, and J. Duncan.

VALUE OF FORWARD PLAY.

Mr. B. I. Swannell, the erstwhile international Rugby forward, and present secretary of the Metropolitan Rugby Union, gave the members of the Western Suburbs Football Club some good advice on Thursday night. His remarks were couched in language understandable of the average footballer. After humourously describing the first grade club's forward play during the last season as "absolutely rotten," he drew the sting from his remarks by his advice. He said that eight comparatively light men working in perfect harmony as a pack, according to signals and after frequent rehearsal, could beat eight internationals gathered from different clubs in their scrum work until the latter had played together a few times. It was the forwards who won a game, although they might not do the actual scoring. The backs could only try to save a game when the forwards were weak. What they needed to learn was how to lock, heel, wheel, screw, and concentrate push, and they could not do these things unless they practised together. The run round in a circle on a field was good for the wind, but the brainy work for the forwards was in the scrummages and the break-up. He had had his lesson kicked into him during the past fifteen years, and he was willing to part with his knowledge to any of the clubs that cared to accept his offer to assist them, but he made the stipulation that there must be no absentees when he came out to help them.

BOWLS.

REDFERN CLUB CHAMPIONSHIP.

WON BY J. LEITCH.

The following is the result of the championship contest for members of the Redfern Club, which was won by J. Leitch, with Bright as runner-up. The details, starting from the second round, are as follows:—

Second Round.
Danks beat Swift, 31 to 24.
Leitch beat Vernon, 31 to 12.
Ross beat Isaacs, 31 to 29.
Bright beat Caddy, 31 to 21.
Banner, a bye.

Third Round.
Bright beat Banner, 31 to 29.
Leitch beat Danks, 31 to 16.
Ross, a bye.

Fourth Round.
Leitch beat Ross, 31 to 30.

Final.
Leitch beat Bright, 31 to 20.

MANLY v BALMAIN.

Played at Manly. Scores:—

	M.		B.
Meyer, Millett, Laurence, Luckham	29	..	—
Ward, Stanley, Hope, M'Lean	—	..	20
Hosking, Foster, Passau, Banner	24	..	—
Bowen, Lewis, Langley, Crump	—	..	29
Robey, Montague, Austin, E. Badmington	18	..	—
Duff, Nixon, Flowerder, Dingwall	—	..	30
	71	..	79

GOLF.

LISMORE G.C.

LISMORE, Tuesday.

The annual meeting of the above club took place on Thursday night at the School of Arts, Lismore. Mr. J. C. M'Intosh presided over a large attendance of members. The annual reports of the hon. secretary and hon. treasurer were adopted. Trophies were presented for competition during the season, and the opening day fixed for the first Saturday in April, when trophies will be given for driving, approaching, and putting competitions for associates and members. The election of officers resulted as below:—Patron, Sir Thomas Ewing; president, Mr. A. M. Sullivan; vice-presidents, Messrs. Fitzhardinge, M'Kenzie, and Dr. Mueller; hon. secretary, Mr. H. S. Osborn; hon. treasurer, Mr. Percy Best; council, Dr. Coen, Messrs. M'Intosh, Mansfield, Le Warne, Smith, M'Dermott, and Vardy; green committee, Messrs. Mansfield, M'Dermott, and Vardy; handicappers and selectors, Messrs. Osborn, Mansfield, and Vardy. With a membership of nearly 80, the new club will be one of the strongest on the North Coast, and matches between Grafton, Casino, and Ballina will make the game much more popular.

BASEBALL.

MIDDLE HARBOUR CLUB.

The following officers were elected at the annual meeting of the Middle Harbour District Club, held at the Pier Hotel, Manly:—Patron, Mr. Dugald Thomson, M.P.; president, Dr. Arthur, M.L.A.; delegates to N.S.W. Association, Messrs. E. P. Woolcott and H. Mortley; hon. secretary and treasurer, Mr. H. Mortley.

HOCKEY.

N.S.W. ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the New South Wales Hockey Association was held on Tuesday evening, when some 70 members attended. Vice-president Mr. A. W. Hyman occupied the chair. The following office-bearers were elected:—President, Mr. A. M. Hemsley; vice-presidents, Lieutenant-Colonel Wallace, R.A.A., Messrs. A. W. Hyman, A. G. Purves, T. De C. Armstrong, and Dr. H. Kendall; hon. secretary, Mr. C. M. Macnaghten; hon. treasurer, Mr. T. Makinson; assistant secretary, Mr. W. S. Hinton; auditors, Messrs. C. King, F.C.A.A., and N. De H. Rowland.

The last rule of the constitution was altered, regulating the payment of moneys by the various clubs to the treasurer of the association. A new club, "Dalgety's," has been admitted to the association, bringing the number up to 9, and it is anticipated that some 25 teams will be engaged every Saturday.

CROQUET.

MELBOURNE CHAMPIONSHIPS.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

The Melbourne Croquet Club's tournament was concluded to-day. Results:—

Ladies' Championships.
Mrs. Klingender beat Miss Murray Jones.
Miss Howat beat Mrs. Klingender.
Mrs. Bonney beat Mrs. Chambers.

Final.
Mrs. Bonney beat Miss Howat.

Final Doubles Handicap.
Mrs. Klingender and Mrs. Anthony beat Miss Maidment and Mrs. Anthony beat Mrs. ...

ROWING.

LISMORE, Thursday.

The rowing club monthly handicap was held yesterday with the following results:—Finals, first heat: J. Frohmuller, 1; J. Watson, 2. Second heat, D. Robertson, 1; J. Roon, 2. Final: Frohmuller, 1; Watson, 2; Robertson, 3.

SWIMMING.

MANLY CLUB.

The 100yds brace race of the Manly Swimming Club was held at the local baths. The officials were:—Starter and timekeeper, Mr. E. Keene; judges, Messrs. M. O'Dwyer, G. Pattison, and E. J. Briscoe. Results:—First heat: W. Allen, J. Buckley, 16s, 1; C. Kirke, J. Morgan, 11s, 2. Time, 1m 6s. Second heat: Gil. Murray, F. Mason, 12s, 1; E. Lucas, Geo. Murray, 20s, 2. Time, 1m 1s. Third heat: T. Adrian, G. Vernon, 22s, 1; R. Daley, O. G. H. Merritt, 14s, 2. Time, 1m 11s. Fourth heat: H. Douglas, J. Gosper, 14s, 1; J. Wilkins, H. Gilbertson, 21s, 2. Time, 1m 4s. Final: T. Adrian, G. Vernon, 1; J. Gosper, H. Douglas, 2; A. Buckley, W. Allen, 3. Time, 1m 11s.

NEWTOWN DISTRICT CLUB.

The handicaps for the 66yds race of the above club, to be decided at Drummoyne Baths on Saturday, are:—A. Wileman, scr; S. Hull, D. Brown, 3s; J. Monaghan, 4s; A. Denis, G. Vickery, T. Fenton, O. Brown, R. Hamill, A. Upham, S. Fewkes, 6s; C. Kayser, T. Westbrook, L. Haffner, 7s; T. Cording, 8s; O. Smith, 10s; W. Drummond, 11s; S. Gentle, A. Northwood, E. Shadlow, 12s; H. Stain, P. Norris, J. Gallagher, 14s; C. Thompson, R. B. Davis, 15s; W. Vickery, R. H. Davis, 17s; E. Priestley, J. W. Norris, 18s; S. F. Davis, H. O'Keefe, 20s; J. M'Nell, J. Swinbourne, G. Mountain, 21s.

BOXING.

WONDERLAND CITY TOURNAMENT.

The second round of the amateur boxing tournament, being held in the Wonderland City, Bondi, was continued last night, before a good attendance. In all nine battles were contested, some of the participants showing cleverness, while all displayed an amazing capacity for assimilating punishment. Results:—

Bantamweights.—B. Lloyd, 8st 4lb, defeated J. Murphy, 8st 4lb, on points; Rowley, 7st 12lb, knocked out Peter Jackson, 7st 10½lb, in one round; S. Miller, 8st 2lb, defeated H. West, 7st 13½lb, on points; W. Wilson, 8st 4lb, defeated T. Miller, 7st 13lb, on points; J. O'Reilly, 8st 4lb, knocked out W. Stanley, 8st 4lb, in three rounds.

Featherweights.—H. Hunt, 8st 9½lb, defeated Kilroy, 9st, in two rounds, on a foul; G. Wilson, 9st 7lb, defeated J. Corbett, 9st, on points; F. Alexander, 8st 13lb, defeated W. Wilhelm, 9st, on points.

Lightweights.—Theiring, 9st 8½lb, defeated H. Maitland, 9st, in four rounds (towel thrown in).

THE GUN.

UNANDERRA, Tuesday.

On Saturday a pigeon match for £5 a side took place at Fig Tree between H. Beatus, of Wollongong, and J. Watson, of Fig Tree. The conditions were 10 birds a side. Both tied, and then shot for first miss out. Beatus won by killing 9 out of 11, while Watson killed 8 out of 11.

NEWCASTLE.

SOUTH GRETA TROUBLE.

NEWCASTLE, Thursday.

The position of the miners at the South Greta Colliery who are on strike was discussed at the meeting of the committee of management of the Federation to-day, and in order to provide for their support whilst they are out of work the following resolution was carried:—"That it be recommended to the district that a levy of 5 per cent. be imposed upon all members of the Federation, and that contributions be lowered to 3d per week when such levy is put on."

COAL AND OTHER EXPORTS.

The following vessels cleared at the Customs-house to-day:—Willis A. Holden, sch, for San Francisco, with 1797 tons coal (9 tons ship's use); Time, s, for Brisbane and Rockhampton, via Sydney, with 250 tons coal; Vine Branch, for Manila, via Brisbane, with 2819 tons coal, 1006 tons bunkers, and 97½ tons coke; Nardoo, s, for Port Adelaide, with 4100 tons coal and 270 tons bunkers; Moorabool, s, for Melbourne, with 220 tons bunkers and 4500 tons coal.

YOUNG WOMAN'S DEATH.

AN ARREST MADE.

A man, described as a chemist, was arrested in Glenmore-road, Paddington, yesterday, and charged with causing the death of Ester Gillibrand, which took place in a house in Thompson-street, Darlinghurst, on Wednesday, and was preceded by certain suspicious circumstances. The arrested man will be brought before the Paddington Court to-day.

A FATAL SLEEP.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

The dead body of a man named Herbert Jarrott was found by the railway officials at Forest Hill this morning. From the position of the body the man probably sat down beside the platform, and falling asleep, was struck by a passing train.

SUBURBAN NEWS.

RATING CHURCH AND SCHOOL LANDS.

The Vaucluse Council, at its last meeting, considered a letter from the Redfern Council inviting co-operation and financial assistance towards the cost of a test case to ascertain the powers of municipalities in rating certain lands held for school and rectory purposes by various denominations. In the opinion of the Mayor (Alderman Gilliver) the better course to adopt is to ask the Government to amend the Act, so as to vest the necessary powers in the councils. As far as Vaucluse was concerned, he did not think that at the present juncture the municipality was justified in extending financial assistance. The council agreed with the Mayor.

MANLY TELEPHONES.

For some time past Mr. Dugald Thomson, M.P., has been in communication with the Deputy Postmaster-General with a view to an improved telephone service in Manly. Several visits of inspection have been made by an outdoor supervisor, and a visit by the electrical engineer, and irregularities have been rectified. It is expected that an additional junction line from Central to Manly, and one from Mosman to Manly, will be completed shortly. Instructions have been issued for the erection of an additional junction from Manly to Central.

KILLARA AND DISTRICT FLOWER SHOW.

The members of the Killara and District Horticultural Society held their annual show on Saturday evening in the Killara Hall. The display was not as good as anticipated, owing no doubt to the late changeable weather. Nevertheless there were several displays of seasonable blooms that commanded attention, notably 12 roses staged by Mr. T. Ermington (who secured the prize for the champion rose), 12 cactus dahlias (amongst them the champion) displayed by Mr. H. Selkirk, and a display of flowering and foliage plants by Mr. W. Roberts, which, however, was non-competitive.

THE ROADS OF WILLOUGHBY.

Alderman Bailey, Mayor of Willoughby, in his annual report referred to the large amount of work carried out in the past year on the roads and footways in the municipality. All works had been completed by day labour. The Willoughby-road had been remetalled throughout at a cost of £1000, and the Gordon-road, within the Naremburn Ward, at a cost of £580. Until the passing of the Act these were Government roads. Towards repairing Gordon-road the Government contributed £80, and the Lane Cove Council £60. During the year 5000 tons of blue metal were used, 2364 tons of gravel, 474 tons of ballast, 409 tons of ironstone, 352 tons of sand, 21,280 gallons of tar, and 3360 bluestone cubes. The length of new tarpaving laid was 5610 superficial yards, while 11,427 superficial yards of tarpaving was top-dressed. Nine hundred and sixteen lineal yards of kerbing and guttering had been laid. Twelve new lamps had been erected.

PEAKHURST SCHOOL OF ARTS.

In the presence of a large gathering of local residents the ceremony of laying the foundation-stone of the Peakhurst School of Arts took place at the site in Forest-road, opposite the Public school, on Saturday afternoon. Mr. G. D. Fraser (president) had control of the proceedings. Donations amounting to £40 were received, which, together with amounts already collected, brings the total to £106.

The building is designed to provide a public hall 68 feet x 30 feet; the main hall will be 30 feet x 30ft, reading-room 17ft x 30ft, library 12ft x 15ft, and committee-room 12ft x 15ft. The main structure will be of brick, with the extended portions of weatherboard.

MANLY PARENTS' ASSOCIATION.

EDUCATIONAL MOVEMENT.

A meeting of between 30 and 40 residents of Manly was held in the Superior Public School to consider the formation of an association to further the well-being of the scholars. Alderman Quirk occupied the chair, in the absence of Mayor Bonner, who sent an apology, and expressed sympathy with the movement. The object of the meeting, it was explained, was to induce parents and citizens to take more interest in the upbringing of the scholars as a whole, and to do all in their power to obtain better accommodation and more up-to-date appliances for educational purposes. It was further pointed out that in many countries, particularly America and Germany, education had reached a much higher standard, owing to the interest private citizens had taken in the matter.

The Rev. J. A. Gardiner, B.A., in moving, "That a Parents and Citizens' Association be formed to further the general well-being of the scholars," said he had been interested in the growth of the school for the past 30 years, and, in his mind, what was wanted was a connecting link between the scholars, parents, and teachers.

The resolution was carried. Office-bearers were elected as follows:—Patron, Dr. R. Arthur, M.L.A.; president, Alderman J. J. Bonner (Mayor); vice-presidents, Drs. Thomas, Hall, Harvey, Bennetts, and Sturgess, Messrs. John H. King, A. Bridges, J. Stedman, G. Kilminster, Brakespear, C. J. Carroll, H. Richardson, and E. Lincoln; hon. secretary, Mr. M. W. Dale; hon. treasurer, Mr. J. W. Hutchin; committee, Messrs. Heaydon, M'Pherson, Crenman, Sayer, Broadbent, and Brown, Mesdames Brakespear, Gardiner, Dart, Sago, Broadbent, Griffin, Dale and Arthur, the members of the school board (Mr. Dart and Miss Lea to act ex-officio).

LONG BAY IMPROVEMENTS.

AN OFFICIAL VISIT.

On Saturday last the Mayor (Alderman Snape) and aldermen of Randwick, accompanied by Mr. D. Storey, M.L.A., went to Long Bay and La Perouse for the purpose of presenting to the successful scholars of the Public schools the prizes won at the late sports.

The party were the guests of the park trustees at Long Bay, and advantage was taken of the visit to point out some much-needed improvements to the park and public baths. The latter were urgently required, as at present the conveniences for bathers of both sexes are totally inadequate. A promise was given that the matter would receive consideration.

Mr. Storey strongly urged the necessity for a Public school building at Long Bay, as the present building is unsuitable. After La Perouse was visited, the party were entertained at Yarra Bay.

MONA VALE PURCHASE.

At a public meeting convened by Councillor Quirk in Booth's Hall, the recent purchase of Brock's Hall and estate by the Government to establish a convalescent home at Mona Vale was discussed. There was a very large attendance.

Councillor Quirk having explained the position, Mr. C. P. Harrington was voted to the chair.

A motion from Mr. Devlin, asking the Government to give a guarantee that the proposed institution be used for no other purpose than a convalescent branch of the Lunacy Department, was moved; but the following amendment was carried by an overwhelming majority, viz.:—"That this meeting is heartily in accord with the proposition of the Government to occupy Brock's Mansions as a convalescent home, and most unreservedly gives it all support, and without question."

TELEPHONES.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—We read with interest the new tariff for the telephone. It sounds very well, especially for the Federal Government, but with no free calls, who is going to check faithfully the record of calls, and how is one to know these records are true and correct?

I think the public should have some thought for their side of the question. Very often one finds the telephone attendant thinks one is connected when such is not the case. How is all this going to be arranged? The attendants are known to be over-worked and overcrowded at the switchboards. What is the public to do? To find a chaotic state of affairs at the end of each six months, or are we to have some clear sound way of tallying our bona-fide calls recorded? If we keep a book ticking off our calls, and the account rendered us by the Telephone Department does not tally with this, ought we not to have some authorised way of checking our numbers faithfully against theirs?

I am, etc.,
A LESSEE.

March 23.

POSTAL COMMISSION.

COMPLAINTS OF LINESMEN.

The Postal Commission took further evidence yesterday. Mr. W. H. Wilks, M.P., presided.

George Henry Saywell, a linesman, continued his evidence. He expressed the opinion that a linesman should not be asked to prepare estimates. Witness had submitted numerous estimates for telephonic work. He had been instructed to do so by the engineer, and cited several cases where, after his estimate had been given in, the work had been carried out.

Senator De Largie: Isn't it work that should be done by a civil engineer? Are you not proud of being called upon to do such superior work?—I don't know about that.

Witness objected to the method of dealing with men charged with an offence. Very few of the employees could submit to suspension. When a man was suspended his pay ceased, and none of the men in witness's department could afford to forego their pay for any length of time. Rather than be suspended and kept out of their pay the men elected to be dealt with under section 46. It practically amounted to a threat that if the employee did not wish to be suspended he would be summarily dealt with by one of the chief officers. Of course, witness knew of cases where an employee had, upon being found not guilty, received a large amount of back pay.

Mr. E. H. Burgess (recalled) said the employees in the construction branch would like to be brought under the Commonwealth Arbitration Act.

Francis William Hulme, paying officer and president of the Professional and Clerical Association, expressed the opinion that the general public were penalised owing to the taking of "urgent" telegrams. He favoured a reversion to the old system. Witness held the view that the present cable rates could be lowered but not to any great extent. The cable lines were used almost solely by commercial houses, and if the rates were reduced the service would have to be subsidised. That would mean that the whole community would be called upon to contribute to the upkeep of a service used only by a section. In connection with cable business generally, the initial blunder was made by allowing the private cable companies to open their own offices. In witness's opinion, the telegraph messengers were well disciplined, and everything possible was done to ensure the utmost despatch in the delivery of messages. Mr. R. T. Scott had stated that the officers in New South Wales did not work as hard as those in the other States, and that the overtime duty performed at the Sydney G.P.O. resulted from want of management. Witness emphatically denied the allegations that the officers of the professional and clerical branches of the Sydney office were less industrious than their confreres in other States. In connection with the charges made by Mr. Templeton (Deputy-Postmaster-General of Queensland) regarding officials in the Sydney office malingering and hiding behind pigeon-holes, witness challenged the disparaging inferences that were implied. In witness's opinion, the Sydney officials were as capable as those in any other State.

WAGES BOARDS.

DECISIONS OF THE CLOTHING BOARD.

Though the deliberations of the Clothing Board will be prolonged for perhaps another three weeks, the chairman, Mr. J. Carlos, has agreed with both parties that the following provisions shall be part of the award:—

Forty-eight hours shall constitute a week's work; hours of working to be from 8.15 a.m. to 6 p.m., less one hour for meal; Saturday, 8.15 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

Time worked by journeymen at employers' request, other than within the prescribed hours, shall be paid for at an increased rate of 3d per hour for the first two hours, and 6d per hour for any hours over and above two hours.

For work performed on holidays 6d per hour extra shall be paid to journeymen, and at the rate of time and a half to journeywomen.

Standing time shall be defined as follows:—At the first try-on, when the workman has picked the coat to pieces and given it to the cutter to mark up and cut for him, should he be detained more than 20 minutes before the cutter gives him back the coat he shall be paid half-time for any time over the said 20 minutes not exceeding a quarter of an hour, and over that full time shall be paid.

The employer shall collect the logs in the workshops, and the employees need not leave their seats.

COKE WORKERS' BOARD.

The Attorney-General has directed the constitution of a "Coke Workers' (Illawarra) Board," for persons employed at coke works in the Illawarra district, from Clifton to Unanderra (inclusive), and including the port of Kembla and the Mount Lyell Works.

CITY OF SYDNEY (LABOURERS) BOARD.

A wages board has been constituted, to be known as "The Council of the City of Sydney (Labourers) Board," for City Council employees engaged in carting, labouring, maintenance, and cleansing. The carters are limited to those providing their own turnouts, and to such others as may not come under the recent award of the tipcarters' board. Mr. G. C. Addison, Industrial Registrar, will be chairman, Mr. Allen Taylor will represent the council, and Mr. James Tyrell the men.

THE KING EDWARD.

TOWED OFF SAND BANK.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

The steamer Investigator succeeded in towing the ship King Edward from the sand bank at Wallaroo, on which she was aground. The vessel now lies at a safe anchorage.

KANAKA HUNTED DOWN.

CHARGE OF MURDER.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

At Geraldton last night Constable Davies and Acting-sergeant O'Sullivan arrested Micky Tanna, a kanaka, on a charge of murder of a black boy, Paddy Kelly, at Atherton, on March 1. Davies, of the Cairns police, followed hot on the heels of Tanna from March 17 through rough weather, and arrived here on Sunday. Tanna was practically hunted down.

SAILOR'S ACCIDENT.

LEG SEVERED BY ROPE.

ZEEHAN (Tas.), Thursday.

A sailor named Parry, lately arrived from Wales, had his right leg severed below the knee yesterday at Strahan. As the Mahinapau was berthing at Regatta Point wharf, Parry, who is only 22, got caught in a coil of line which had been made fast to the wharf.

DEATH IN A THEATRE.

MAN'S SUDDEN COLLAPSE.

A man whose name is supposed to be Percy Burrell Ivey, aged about 60, and lately living in Arthur-street, North Sydney, was in the gallery of the Theatre Royal last night at about 8.30 watching the performance of "A Royal Divorce," when he suddenly collapsed.

Constable Woodland immediately removed him to the Sydney Hospital, where he was examined and life pronounced extinct. The body was removed to the morgue, where it now lies. The name Ivey was written on his shirt, and a season ticket between Circular Quay and Milson's Point, issued to Percy Burrell Ivey, was found in one of his pockets.

It is believed that death was due to apoplexy, induced by heat.

DERELICTS OF THE NIGHT.

NIGHT REFUGE ANNUAL MEETING.

In the absence of Mr. Jno. Kidd, the Rev. Dr. Roseby, F.R.S.A., presided at the annual meeting of the Sydney Night Refuge and Reformatory, held at the Y.M.C.A. last night. The annual report showed that during last year 4866 men were sheltered. Of this number 2736 were strangers, while 1130 had previously received shelter. In all 10,449 beds and breakfasts were given, showing that the average assistance for each man was about two nights' shelter during the year. The privilege of the shelter had not been withheld from any man without means. The class which the refuge was called upon to assist included all sorts and conditions, but the majority were either mentally or physically incapable of carrying out the responsible duties of citizenship, and in many cases were men whose conditions were entirely due to wasted and profligate lives. Levite eyes, however, had not been turned upon any applicant, however much it might have been suspected that his condition was the result of an irresponsible life. There were 30 beds in the dormitory, and on certain wet nights as many as 30 or 40 men had to be turned away, wet and shivering, because there was no further room.

The balance-sheets showed that the income proper for the year was £109 1s 2d, while the special donations totalled £123. The expenditure proper was £117 13s 5d.

The report and balance-sheets were adopted, and a committee was appointed for the forthcoming year.

N.S.W. LACROSSE ASSOCIATION.

The annual meeting of the above association was held last night, Mr. Boward occupying the chair. The following officers were elected:—Patron, Lord Chelmsford; president, J. J. Virgo; vice-presidents, Messrs. C. G. Wade, W. Cullen Ward, W. J. Laws, O. L. Deloitte, R. Coombes, M. A. H. Fitzhardinge, W. B. Alexander, M'Millan, Rev. R. A. Todd, W. L. Stillman, T. Walker, R. Fitzhardinge; hon. secretary, Mr. C. N. B. Gurnett; recording secretary, Mr. W. J. Boyce; treasurer, Mr. D. W. Cross; interstate selectors, Messrs. G. M. Noake, D. W. Cross, M'Millan; ground committee, Messrs. T. C. Hunt, W. J. Boyce, C. U. B. Gurnett; press secretary, Mr. D. W. Cross; delegates to Sporting Federation, Messrs. Gurnett and J. Campbell.

The association decided to send two teams to Newcastle to play an exhibition match on June 5, the proceeds to be in aid of the local hospital. Mr. C. U. B. Gurnett was appointed manager, and Mr. F. W. Cross treasurer.

It was also decided to send a team to Queensland.

RETURNED KANAKAS.

BISHOP OUTSPOKEN.

MELANESIAN MISSION EXPANSION.

WHITE STAFF TO BE DOUBLED.

The white staff of the Melanesian Mission is to be nearly doubled forthwith. At present 25 white men do its work in the islands. Bishop Wilson returned from London to Sydney yesterday, having made arrangements for 18 additional men and two or three ladies.

"One or two of the men are ordained," he said yesterday, "and these will come out at once. The rest are young men at college—at Oxford or Cambridge, or a theological college. They will be ordained, and will all come out in the next three years. Besides these there are young men preparing in Australia and New Zealand to join the mission at an early date."

This great increase was necessary, Bishop Wilson said, partly because those white men were desired for superintendence amongst the 700 native teachers of the mission. But there was also one new condition that had arisen in the islands in the last few years, which Australians hardly realised. That was the return of the kanakas from Queensland, where the vast majority had learned for themselves the vices of the white man and not been taught his virtues.

"The other people up there—of course they're savage and they're cannibal, and all that," said the Bishop. "But they're nothing like these fellows who have mixed with the low white men and low Chinamen."

This was a strong saying from the Bishop of Melanesia. Speaking very seriously, he added:—

"They can speak a little English when they come home; and they set themselves up for white men. White men are not thought so much of as they used to be in the islands. We don't carry the weight we used to up there. I do not think Australians realise all that they are responsible for in the islands."

Asked whether the children of these men would lose their smattering of civilised ways—"I hope they will," Bishop Wilson said. The mission, he said, did not want to teach them not to be natives or to give them the ways of the white man.

The increase on the mission staff will mean a very great increase in cost—£3000 a year, Bishop Wilson estimates. The missionaries will be brought first to Norfolk Island to learn at least one native language, and afterwards sent out to the islands. The mission will find their houses and boats. The cost of this mission is always heavy proportionately to others, because the scattered islands can only be visited by steamer. "Our steamer, Southern Cross, goes to many islands never visited by other boats," said the Bishop.

Bishop Wilson left Sydney on March 15, and came in at once for the Pan-Anglican Congress for two months, and the Lambeth Conference for six weeks. After that it was all hard work. "I had no time for cricket," he said, "but I did play down at my old school." Bishop Wilson some years ago captained a team for The Church against The Army.

CASUALTIES.

SEQUEL TO CAB ACCIDENT.

The man who was knocked down by a cab in Pitt-street last Sunday evening, and was taken to the Sydney Hospital in an unconscious state, has been recognised as Thomas O'Halloran, a labourer, who had been staying at the People's Palace. The man lay at the hospital unconscious for many hours, and his name was first thought to be Samuel O'Hara. He died late on Wednesday night.

KNOCKED DOWN BY TRAM.

A man, of about 30, whose name is at present unknown, was stepping off a tram in King-street, near Pitt-street, shortly before 11 o'clock last night, when he was knocked down by a tram travelling in the opposite direction. The Civil Ambulance conveyed him to the Sydney Hospital in an unconscious condition, and he was admitted, suffering from concussion.

GRAZIER'S MISHAP.

BARRABA, Thursday.

Mr. Charles White, sen., a well-known grazier, was thrown out of his sulky near Norton River yesterday, and sustained severe injuries, including two broken ribs and a broken collarbone. His condition is not considered critical. A companion, Mr. H. H. Baker, was uninjured.

FALL FROM A LADDER.

CLIFTON, Tuesday.

Yesterday afternoon a man named M. Domnic, a wharf hand, working at the Coalcliff colliery, mounted a ladder over 10ft high, and by some means slipped and fell, striking the rocks beneath the jetty. He escaped with a fractured knee and bruises.

FALL FROM A BICYCLE.

BULAHDELAH, Wednesday.

Yesterday a serious accident befell Mr. W. Newell, son of Mr. W. H. Newell, while riding a bicycle from Booral to Bulahdelah. Going down a hill he lost control of the machine, and was thrown off, sustaining serious injuries, including concussion of the brain.

FOUND DROWNED.

NEWCASTLE, Tuesday.

The body of a man who was subsequently identified as Patrick Fitzgerald was found in the harbour yesterday near the Stockton ferry. Fitzgerald had recently been employed by Messrs. Macrow and Sons, Hunter-street, as a traveller, and it is believed that his widow and two children are living in Brisbane. It is not known how deceased got into the water.

RUNAWAY BULLOCK TEAM.

KANGAROO VALLEY, Wednesday.

A serious accident befell Mr. Arthur Parrish, son of Mr. E. Parrish, Kangaroo River, yesterday. The young man was engaged driving a team of four bullocks and a dray. The bullocks ran away, capsized the dray, and the driver received a double dislocation of the thigh.

BOY SHOT WITH PEA-RIFLE.

BALLINA, Thursday.

Two boys, Lovett and Elliott, were playing with a pea-rifle at Wardell, when the weapon exploded, the bullet entering Elliott's head. He is in the Lismore Hospital.

DROWNED IN A MINE.

NEWCASTLE, Thursday.

A young man, named James Pringle, 21 years of age, who had been employed as a waterbailer in the Sea Pit, was found by his father this afternoon lying dead in a pool of water in the mine. He was last seen alive about an hour before, and he was then in his usual health. The young fellow was subject to fits, and it is presumed that during one of these seizures he fell into the water and was drowned.

DEATH FROM BURNS.

COOMA, Thursday.

Mrs. William M'Donald, of Berridale, died in the district hospital on Monday, as the result of a burning accident. Deceased was sitting near the fire, suffering from toothache, and turned suddenly to attend to her child. In doing so the flames caught her dress. She rushed to the tank, but was unable to get water, through the key being off. She succumbed half an hour after admission to the hospital.

SWAMPED ON FORSTER BAR.

FORSTER, Wednesday.

A boating accident, fortunately attended with no fatal results, occurred on Sunday afternoon on Forster bar. Mr. George Ravel's motor launch Lark, while attempting to cross in on a strong ebb tide, was caught by a heavy wave and swamped. Luckily, the little craft did not sink, but remained in an upright position, with the five occupants (young men) almost submerged. The mishap was witnessed from the pilot station. No time was lost in getting the lifeboat away with Pilot Hindes and Boatmen Benson and Knott, who succeeded in rescuing the young men from their perilous position.

THE NEWNES TROUBLE.

MEAGRE OUT-OF-WORK PAY.

LITHGOW, Wednesday.

At a meeting held at Newnes on Sunday Mr. Joseph Norton was appointed to represent the unions in seeking the support of other districts. £100 voted by the Western Miners' Association was distributed to the members of the miners' lodge during the afternoon, at the rate of 3s 9d each member, his wife, and child under 14 years. The highest payment was to one member, who had a wife and seven children, and received £1 13s 9d.

AUSTRALIAN DEFENCE.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—I notice that the Minister desires to establish in all State schools the Queensland system of compulsory drill; but knowing how earnestly Senator Pearce supported my bill before the Senate, establishing a complete system of compulsory cadet service, and bearing in mind that the Prime Minister, Mr. Hughes, and other members of the Cabinet favour a system of universal training, it is very disappointing to find that Ministers have not long since expressed their determination to establish this principle. It is not only the only true foundation of any scheme of defence suitable to Australia, but it is essential to the moral and physical well-being of our future citizens. What certainty is there that the five States will adopt Queensland's scheme of compulsory physical drill for boys at school; and may not great delay in adopting it take place in one or more States? Besides, why seek State action when defence is essentially a Commonwealth matter, and an addition of half a dozen sections to our Defence Act would establish this necessary principle? If the scheme adopted by the Minister is successfully carried out in the round-about way he proposes, it is not half doing what is required, for thousands of boys leave the primary schools at 14, and in Tasmania they are entitled to leave at 13 years of age. From a defence point of view the real training of rifle practice and military drill would take place in the sixteenth, seventeenth, and eighteenth years of the cadet. Away with makeshifts; let our training for the duties of citizens be thorough. As to naval defence, many votes for earmarking the £250,000 were obtained on the faith of Mr. Deakin's promise, confirmed by the leader of the Senate, and a promise to the people's representatives in Parliament must be respected, Senator Pearce and Mr. Hughes to the contrary notwithstanding. As one of the people, I hope to have the opportunity of opposing the Minister's scheme of constructing river destroyers. I have no belief in a "tinpot mosquito fleet" to defend our ports, and I doubt if the Admiralty have any faith in such a policy. Some day a battle will be fought which will decide whether Great Britain is to retain the command of the seas. If she loses the battle, what is to become of the Empire, and what will then be the Commonwealth's position with her "white Australia" doctrine? The policy of Great Britain is to lay down two keels to Germany's one, and to maintain the two-Power standard, with a 10 per cent. margin. Does anyone believe that she can long bear this financial strain unaided by her great and wealthy colonies? Surely the most important problem is, "How can the Empire be maintained and bound closer together?" and the answer of the daughter States is to break away from the motherland in the matter of naval defence, this being the one matter in which there should be the closest co-operation. Canada is doing little or nothing in co-operation with Great Britain, and has long since withdrawn her subsidy to the Imperial navy. Australia desires to give up the Australian squadron, and is going to attempt the impossible—the defence of 8000 miles of coast line by a mosquito fleet. South Africa has contributed a warship, and supplies some coal and a small subsidy, and New Zealand has very properly increased its subsidy. Mr. Deakin has recently asked the Imperial Government to surrender our miserably small subsidy of £200,000 a year. Could anything be more dangerous and unstatesmanlike than these contradictory policies? Mr. Deakin's recent utterance about the wonderful co-operation which his scheme of an Australian Navy to defend our ports will establish between us and the mother land is misleading; there is co-operation now, but Mr. Deakin's scheme decreases instead of increasing this vital principle. Supremacy of the seas must be maintained at any cost, and Australia and every other part of the Empire should contribute far more than they do now, in money or in men and ships. The co-operation required is one which will enable the enemy to be sought out and destroyed, and what help will it be to our Imperial naval commander to know that we have a few destroyers and torpedo boats steaming up and down Hobson's Bay waiting for the enemy to come. If Great Britain wins the fight and maintains the supremacy of the seas every part of the Empire will receive compensation for a port injured, or trade damaged, but if the supremacy of the seas is lost it will be small comfort to know that our mosquito fleet has prevented a port being damaged and a few trading ships being captured. Everyone wishes that a general staff with co-operation for all land forces of the Empire may be established, but why was this not done years ago? It is difficult to understand the Imperial authorities recognising so late in the day the necessity for uniformity of Imperial military organisation, and also remaining silent when they see Canada and Australia drifting away from the motherland on the all important question of naval defence. It seems imperative that an Imperial conference should be promptly convened at London, and that the representatives of Greater Britain, as well as those at Westminster, should then consider the advisability of carrying out the policy of "two keels for one" and of a "two-Power standard with a 10 per cent. margin," and not separate till they have devised some scheme of real and not sham co-operation, both as regards naval and military defence, but surely naval should come first. All parts of the Empire should bear a fair share of maintaining the supremacy of the sea, but the co-operative scheme must be financially sound, and not put a strain upon any part of the Empire which its taxpayers cannot bear. The withdrawal of the Australian squadron from our seas is a terrible blunder, depriving us of the example and experience of its perfectly trained officers and men, and the prestige of "the flag." Is it not the duty of the Imperial naval authorities to try to inaugurate a policy of concentration and co-operation as against the Canadian and Australian schemes of decentralisation? The latter scheme is opposed to all the teaching of history. "Australia for the Australians" may be a very good motto, but those who do not wish to see the English nation broken up prefer "Australia for the Empire."

I am, etc.,
HENRY DOBSON.

EXPENDITURE ON NAVAL FORCES OF GREAT BRITAIN.

Return tabled in the Senate at request of Senator Dobson, showing distribution of above between Great Britain and the over-sea dominions on basis of population and trade.

	On Population Basis.		On Trade Basis.
Great Britain	£24,366,209	..	£24,744,990
Canada	3,301,522	..	2,142,669
Australia	2,311,066	..	2,370,210
South Africa	1,045,483	..	1,460,049
New Zealand	495,228	..	701,582
Total British Navy Estimate, 1907-8	£31,419,500	..	£31,419,500

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—At the present moment the question of defence is being vigorously debated all over the British Empire, especially in Australia, and one would think that we as a nation would pay more attention to defence matters than we do, or appear to do. One cannot get away from the fact that the average young man is not military inclined, but has a greater leaning to sport and pleasure, and yet there does not appear any obstacle except this to prevent Australia having the cream of colonial defence. Instead of this, we have a few regiments, all more or less inefficient, not enthusiastic, and very poorly clad. The last item, clothing, has a great deal to do with successful volunteering. In the first place, if a man is issued clothing and boots immediately on enlistment he will rarely fail to attend recruit drill, whereas some of the local regiments do not issue clothing until after the man is passed out of the recruit squad, their excuse being that the clothing will not be issued until the recruits know how to walk in it. Granted; but suppose that recruit is a poor, struggling clerk or labourer, whose clothes are very shabby and boots thin, he can ill afford to tramp, tramp, around a parade ground three nights a week for nothing except patriotism. Instead, if a khaki drill suit or fatigue dress be issued immediately on enlistment, better attendance would result. In the second place, our local regimental dresses are not half smart, or might I say gaudy enough. I know lots of people will laugh at this, but nevertheless it is quite true. Ask any old soldier. Why, it has always been the mainstay of the British Army. The flash uniform and the bright accoutrements make a man feel smart; and when he is out walking he endeavours to do justice to his uniform by looking as smart as he possibly can. Ultimately this man must become smart, and smart men are what a nation wants. If clothes do not make a man they make him feel like one. This is not idle talk, but sterling facts. Take some of the smartest and flashest dressed regiments in the British Army—Royal Horse Artillery, 17th Lancers, 16th Lancers, 11th Hussars, 10th Hussars, 2nd Dragoons, Highlanders, Northumberland Fusiliers (Fighting Fifth). Then take their records. History: Peninsula, Waterloo (charge of the Scots Greys), Crimean War (charge of the Light Brigade, the Death or Glory Boys, and the Cherry Pickers), India, Egypt, South Africa, Kabul to Kandahar, the Boer War 1899 to 1902. Surely this is proof. Of course these regiments are not supposed to have used their flash uniforms on these occasions, Khaki or fatigue dress was the order of the day. Many a man has been attracted by the uniform. We read every day about the lack of recruits for the British Army at home. And why? Ever since Mr. Broderick came into office a few years back, and started to take away Tommy's flash uniforms, recruiting dropped off, and now all we hear about is "Territorials" and conscription. Heaven forbid that conscription should ever fall on this beautiful country, for as soon as it does so soon shall it lose its beauty, for it will no longer be a land of the free, but the land of the bureaucratic slave. Teach every man to defend, but never conscription.

What is preventing us having a sensible and practical system of defence? Let us take a peep at other colonies and their methods. First take Canada, with its permanent and active militia. Of permanent corps we have the Royal Canadian Dragoons, Royal Canadian Artillery, Royal Canadian Infantry, and North-west Mounted Police. Each of these is on a par with any similar English regiment. Then there are many regiments of active militia or volunteers, both infantry, mounted infantry, engineers, cavalry, and departmental corps. These are passable. I don't hold with statements regarding the inadequate defence of Canada, which is very well defended in comparison with other colonies. Proof positive: Ever since Wolfe's victory and occupation one or more British regiments have always been stationed at Halifax, Nova Scotia. These regiments, which were usually artillery and infantry, were the pick of our home Army, and number from 900 to 1000 men. When the South African war broke out in 1899 the Leinsters were stationed there. (A coincidence: The Leinsters, although now an Irish regiment, were originally raised in Canada during the Russian war.) They were ordered off to the front, and Canada was called upon to garrison Halifax with a regiment of infantry. The one regular infantry regiment was already in garrison at Toronto, and could not be spared. Nothing loth, men were taken—a few from one regiment and a few from another. In a few weeks Halifax was garrisoned with over 900 partially-trained men, who in a few more weeks were efficient soldiers, this regiment stayed there for over two years, and satisfied the home authorities in every detail. The Duke of York eulogised them during his Canadian visit. I had the honour and pleasure of serving in this regiment, so I know what I say is correct. Colonel Irving was O.C. in Halifax then; I believe he is in Australia now. He also could testify. It is useless to say anything in connection with the South African volunteers; everyone knows how they have always protected themselves against the native races. As far as outside appearance is concerned, people say that the Capetown Highlanders and the Queen's Own Rifles, Toronto, Canada, are the smartest colonial volunteers. I think so too, if we also add the name of N.S.W. Lancers, who are hard to beat, although they seem to be dropping off lately. There is no reason why Australia should not rank first in colonial military affairs. Australians do make good soldiers. They have proved it in Egypt, China, and South Africa; and when there was some trouble, about 1903, in Somaliland, a Boer contingent was raised in Africa to proceed there to help the Imperial troops. Of these 50 per cent. were Australians and other colonials. When Bambaata rebelled in Natal many a son of Australia fell in some colonial corps. In German West Africa, where the pride of Germany's army are trying to beat the black races, there are scores of Australians (both scouts and cattle guards) fighting simply for the fun of it. People may ask where they came from, and how they got there. It must be remembered that hundreds of Australians remained in Africa after the Boer war. Now work is bad, and something must be done; and the Australian is good at the war game. And then men who stay at home—men who have never been out of Sydney or seen anything more exciting than a dogfight—say that we can't defend ourselves. We can, if we are given the chance, raise a few regular corps, make provision for volunteers to go in barracks for a few months' training (optional), issue them with bright smart uniforms, offer more facilities and prizes for shooting, and not allow "trick" sights or extra barrels on rifles. Compel a man to shoot with the rifle he is issued with. Then everyone will stand a fair chance, and the poor volunteer will be as good a shot as the one who can afford to buy "match barrels" and "patent sights," which is cheating in a mild form. Don't encourage civilian rifle clubs in preference to volunteers. Remember the volunteer has to drill hard and study discipline. He does it for love of country, not for sport. Let the rifle-club man come next. He doesn't drill or attend parades; and good shooting must be coupled with discipline and drill, for it is strategy that wins a battle—not murder. Very often our local volunteers have to wait a week because we are told that the rifle clubs are shooting on our range. This thing should not be allowed. Give the man who drills every opportunity for shooting, and this, combined with physical culture, would soon beget an army. Now, Sir, I have not intended to tread on anyone's corns, but as a volunteer of this State I think we should be a better body of men than we really are at present. I have been serving since I was 14 years old in different corps. I can say I've served under three different sovereigns and seven different Governments, somewhat a record for a man on the right side of 30, and hope to always be serving in some corps, but am sorry to see the volunteering element in Sydney shut in a corner, and instead of being the vital spot of Australia, is considered last of all things, both by the Government and the man in the street.

I am, etc.,
F. C. JONES.

IMPROVEMENT OF SYDNEY HARBOUR.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE HERALD.

Sir,—President Roosevelt of the United States has kindly furnished me with diagrams, photographs, and detailed particulars of the work of removing Flood Rock, Hell's Gate, which blocked the entrance fairway in the East River, New York Harbour. In view of the recent stranding of the steamer Octopus, belonging to the Harbour Trust of Sydney, on the wretched reef of rocks blocking the entrance to Port Jackson known as the Sow and Pigs Reef, I would like to give a brief resume of the work accomplished by the New York Harbour authorities in removing the Flood Rock, so that an interesting comparison might be made with the Sow and Pigs Reef of Sydney Harbour.

1. Hell's Gate rock was fired from a point on the Astoria shore—about 1000ft away—on October 10, 1885.

2. Lieutenant-Colonel H. L. Abbot, Corps of Engineers, said: "As was expected, there was no loud report, no severe shock through the earth, and no scattering of the debris."

3. Examination of the reef disclosed the fact that the bottom was broken up into large blocks, separated by cracks, but not turned over, with rugged edges on top. The whole surface of the reef had been altered, proving the reef to be shattered, and the changes are nowhere greater than at the most remote corner of the reef, where the bottom has been raised 10ft.

4. The cost of surface blasting was only 12.4 cents per ton of rock removed.

5. The largest of the dredges averaged 88 tons per day.

6. The total amount of broken rock removed gave a clear depth of 26ft at low water.

7. The broken rock over the whole reef was 294,000 tons, which took three years to remove.

8. The whole of the work could have been accomplished in four years.

9. The reef destroyed consisted of the whole of the middle reef in Hell Gate, comprising Hell Gate proper and the reefs known as the Negro Heads, Hen and Chickens, and Gridiron. A narrow strip of Flood Rock was bare at high water, and isolated projections of other reefs mentioned were visible at low water. A depth of 26ft was attained over the entire area of the reef, which is 9 acres.

10. The method adopted for the removal of the reef consisted in sinking a shaft at the highest point, and running a number of galleries from the foot of the shaft under the reef. The method is not considered an economical one for the removal of submarine reefs under ordinary circumstances, but is a crowded channel like Hell Gate it was imperative.

11. As each reef was removed the force of the current was greatly reduced, and so as to simplify navigation as to enable pilots to keep control of their vessels."

12. The total cost of removing the obstruction was 1,061,983dol.

From the foregoing it will be seen that the work was a very successful one, and proved a remarkable convenience to shipping.

As the area covered 9 acres, the cost was considerable, whereas the Sow and Pigs reef covers less than four acres, and admits of being destroyed much easier than the Flood Rock. It must be borne in mind that Flood Rock was in reality an islet of considerable extent. The Sow and Pigs reef is submerged at a depth for the most part of it of two fathoms and over. The cost of maintaining the lightship, pilelight, and eastern channel beacons is £1000 per annum, whilst no less than £50,000 has been expended since the Bramble lightship was first placed in position.

An improvement of a similar kind in Sydney Harbour, following the example of New York, would constitute the greatest improvement to the navigable waters of Port Jackson that it is possible to contemplate. Indeed, it is inconceivable to me that such a work has not long since been carried out. Probably, however, the accident to the Octopus on this obstructive reef will impress the Harbour Trust with the necessity of removing an obstacle which has barred the entrance to our otherwise magnificent port ever since Sydney was discovered.

I am, etc.,
PETFORD ALLEN.

Lawson.

Mr. John T. Trowbridge, who is unfortunately reported among the missing at Messina, is one of the veterans of American letters, his first book having been published as long ago as 1853. He was born in 1827, and lived on a farm until he was seventeen, with very little opportunity of schooling. Most of his books have been written for American boys, among whom for more than one generation they have gained a popularity corresponding to that of Henty's in England. From 1866 to 1880, scarcely a year passed without his issuing a volume, and in some years he had two or three to his credit.

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MINING.

THE SHARE MARKET.

The position of affairs yesterday morning was not so cheering to scrip-holders as it was on the previous day, as there was a slight sagging of prices in the case of some copper and gold stocks, with the tone of the market not too strong in the case of silver shares. A decline of 6/3 per ton in the price of copper was not conducive to vigorous speculation, and, whilst it is true that some stocks eased, others held firm, by reason of the individual merits of the mines.

Taking the copper section first, Macgregors eased from 5/1 to 4/8, Mount Elliotts from 68/3 to 68/6, O.K. Copper sold weakly at 2/1 and 2/2, Kyloe Copper receded /2, and "Lloyd" Copper /1. Fair inquiries were made for Kangiara Mines, Lobb's Hole, and Queen Bee. Wallaroo and Moonta were quoted weakly, and Mount Morgans wide. Silver scrip was represented by one transaction in Broken Hill Proprietary at 31/, a decline of /3. All other Barrier scrip was held firmly, the fact of scrip-holders refusing to sell at a discount on late rates accounting for the absence of business.

In the case of gold scrip Chaffers and Sandstone Development eased a shade, whilst Paringa improved a fraction, with Harden Gold Mines holding very firm at 30/6. In the tin section Tongkah Harbour Tin Dredging commanded firm support, sales being booked at 30/1½, as against 29/6, the closing rate on Wednesday. Syndicate shares in the Tongkah Harbour Compound changed hands at £82/10/ and £87/10/, an advance of £7/10/ on the day.

The slightly easier tendency in copper stocks continued during the afternoon, the shares affected being Wallaroo and Moonta, O.K. Copper, Kyloe Copper, Kangiara Mines, and Macgregors. In the silver section the tone of the market was not quite so firm, except in the case of B.H. Junction North. Gold stocks were almost neglected, but in tin shares Tongkah Harbour Tin sold firmly at a forward rate.

Sydney Stock Exchange.—The closing quotations were:—

	Buyers. £ s d	Sellers. £ s d
COPPER.		
Bedgery Mines	—	0 2 0
Chillagoe, contributing	0 3 5	0 3 9
Hampden-Cloncurry, paid	—	0 6 9
Kangiara Mines	0 12 4½	0 12 6
Ditto, contributing	0 9 4½	0 9 8
Kyloe	0 9 9	0 10 0
Ditto, preference	0 9 9	0 10 0
Lloyd Copper	0 2 5	0 2 6
Lobb's Hole	0 7 9	0 8 9
Ditto, contributing	0 3 6	0 4 0
M'Gregor-Cloncurry, paid	0 4 4	0 4 8
Mount Elliott	3 7 0	3 8 6
Mount Molloy	0 5 9	0 6 3
Ditto, preference	—	0 8 0
Mungana (Chillagoe)	0 2 6	—
O. K.	0 1 11	0 2 0
Queen Bee	0 3 10	0 4 0
Wallaroo and Moonta	1 11 7½	1 12 0
TIN.		
Briseis	0 5 0	0 5 9
Gilmore	0 0 7	0 1 0
Vulcan	0 1 11	0 2 2
SILVER. New South Wales, etc.		
British Broken Hill	0 14 9	0 15 3
Ditto, privileged	0 14 3	0 14 9
Broken Hill Proprietary	—	1 11 6
Ditto, Block 10	2 17 6	—
Ditto, preference	0 10 6	0 11 0
B. H. Junction	0 2 10	0 3 0
B. H. Junction North	1 1 0	1 1 4½
B. H. South	4 4 0	4 5 0
B. H. South, contributing	3 18 6	3 19 0
B. H. South Blocks	1 1 0	1 1 6
Sulphide Corporation, ord.	0 11 6	0 12 0
GOLD. New South Wales, etc.		
Baker's Creek	0 1 0	—
Gold Hill	—	0 4 6
Ditto, contributing	—	0 2 4
Harden	1 10 0	1 10 6
Harden Central, paid	0 1 8	—
Ditto, contributing	0 0 5½	0 1 0
Harden West	0 0 6	0 1 0
Mount David	—	0 1 9
Occidental	0 8 3	0 8 9
Dredging and Sluicing.		
Amalgamated Tin	—	0 2 6
Araluen Central	—	0 4 0
Associated Gold Dredging	—	0 4 0
Cope's Creek	—	0 4 0
Elrington	—	0 2 0
Great Britain Sluicing	1 1 0	—
Jembaicumbene Middle Ground	0 0 10	0 1 1
New Wylie Creek	0 3 0	0 4 0
Ovens Valley	0 4 0	—
Reform Tin, paid	0 1 1	—
Tingha Tin	0 1 0	—
Tongkah Harbour Tin	1 10 0	1 11 0
Tasmania.		
Mount Lyell	—	1 12 6
Queensland. Charters Towers, etc.		
Bonnie Dundee	0 3 7	0 4 0
Brilliant Block	0 5 0	—
Brilliant Central	0 3 0	0 3 6
Brilliant Extended	0 11 3	—
Ditto, contributing	0 8 3	0 9 0
Clark's Brilliant Worcester, etc	—	0 0 6
East Mexican, paid	0 5 0	0 5 6
Kelly's Queen Block	0 1 6	—
Marshall's Queen	0 2 5	0 2 8
Ditto, contributing	0 1 8	—
Mount Morgan	3 4 3	3 5 3
New Queen Cross Reef	0 1 3	—
Queen Central	0 1 3	—
Victory	—	0 2 0
Gympie.		
Columbia Consolidated	—	0 3 2
Columbia Extended	—	0 3 6
Great Northern, contributing	0 1 6	0 1 9
North Columbia and Smithfield, No. 1	0 3 6	—
North Oriental and Glanmire, No. 1	—	0 2 0
South Glanmire and Monkland	—	0 1 3
South Great Eastern, No. 2	—	0 3 9
Victoria.		
Rustler's Reef	0 16 6	—
Long Tunnel Extended	4 10 0	—
Western Australia.		
Associated	1 2 9	1 3 1½
Ditto, Northern Blocks	0 7 0	0 7 3
Burrambie Ranges	0 2 11	—
Black Range	2 17 0	—
Chaffer's	0 7 0	0 7 3
Great Boulder	1 4 1½	1 4 7½
Ditto, Main Reef	—	0 6 1
Ditto, No. 1	—	0 8 6
Ditto, Perseverance	0 6 2	0 6 4
Ivanhoe	8 6 0	—
Kalgurli South	—	0 14 3
Lake View Consols, L.R.	0 18 9	0 19 9
Oroya-Brown Hill	0 16 0	0 16 10½
Sandstone Development	0 8 7	0 8 9

STOCK EXCHANGE SALES.

MORNING.

Copper.—MacGregor, 4/8; Mount Elliott, 68/6; O.K. Copper, 2/2, 2/1, 2/2; Kyloe Copper, 9/10; "Lloyd" Copper, 2/5.

Silver.—B.H. Proprietary, 31/.

Gold.—Chaffers, 7/3; Sandstone Development, 8/10½, 8/9, 8/8; Paringa (W.A.), 1/1; Harden Gold Mine, 30/6.

Tin.—New Wylie Creek, 3/2; Vulcan Tin, 2/; Tongkah Harbour Tin, paid, 30/1½; Tongkah Harbour Compound, £82/10/, £87/10/.

AFTERNOON.

Copper.—Wallaroo and Moonta, 32/1½, 32/; O.K. Copper, 2/1, 2/, 2/1; Kyloe Copper, 9/10; Kangiara Mines (paid), 12/6, 12/4½; Kangiara Mines (contg), 9/4½, 9/6; MacGregor, 4/6.

Silver.—B.H. South (paid), one month, 85/; ordinary, 84/4½, 85/; B.H. South (contg), 79/; B.H. Junction North, 21/3; ditto, six months, 22/6.

Gold.—Harden West (paid), /8½; No. 1 N. Oriental, 1/4.

Tin.—Tongkah Harbour Tin, six weeks, 30/6.

MINING NOTES.

The Bonnie Dundee Company (Charters Towers) crushed 252 tons for 553oz of gold. The residues have yet to come.

For the week ended March 20, the pumps of the Great Britain Sluicing Company's plant ran 110 hours, producing 4 tons 18cwt of tin ore.

A telegram from the manager of the Stannary Hills Mines (Q.), states that the poppet heads are in position, and that it is expected to start baling next week.

The Kelly's Queen Cross Company (Charters Towers) reports a yield of gold worth £513 from 203 tons of ore, and the Mills United gold worth £5873 from 1672 tons.

An interim dividend of 9d per share free of taxes has been declared payable on April 10 to shareholders registered on March 22 in the Great Fingall Consolidated Company.

According to the manager of the Peter and Paul mine (Gympie), the shaft, at 372ft, struck a "splendid quartz reef, dipping to the east, and carrying nice mineral." The lode is 18in of solid quartz, and has about 4ft of formation on the hanging-wall.

The smelting operations of the Queen Bee copper mine for the fortnight ended March 13 were as follow:—Small blast furnace smelted 304 tons ore and produced 57 tons of 34 per cent. matte. Lost time, 43 hours for repairs to boiler. No. 4 reverberatory furnace smelted 142 tons ore, and produced 14¾ tons for 46 per cent. matte. Roaster charged with 422 tons matte, and tapped 13 tons of blister copper. Sold by tender on the 9th inst. 25 tons blister at £53/16/6, also on the 17th inst. 25 tons at £51/17/, and have products on hand at the mine estimated to contain 26 tons of copper." The manager is stoping as usual at Nos. 2, 3, and 4 levels, and produced ore of usual grade. No. 5 level: The main north level was extended 38ft, total 470ft from the shaft. The face of the drive is not looking so well, but ore appears to be making on the western side. The ore raised for the two weeks was 395 tons.

MINING IN THE STATE.

ORANGE, Thursday.

Fifteen tons of stone from Mr. F. Spratt's Queen of the Ranges mine, Palmer's Bulga, near Ophir, crushed at his battery at Mullion Creek, returned 22oz of smelted gold.

A four months' suspension of labour conditions on the Mount Bulga copper mine has been granted. A commencement will be made immediately with the work of getting the company's smelter into working order, and the services of a smelter from the Cockle Creek works has been secured to overhaul it.

WYALONG, Thursday.

Though there is considerable depression in mining matters here just at present, and not a little anxiety regarding future developments, those who have lived through the mining changes of this field may easily recall occasions when the outlook was less cheerful and soon again brightened. Considerable reductions have been made in the numbers of employees on some mines, yet the reduced number is in excess of that of some other periods of the field's history. Further development may lead to increased employment being provided once more. The unusually large number of lines of reef here should encourage a greater readiness on the part of capitalists to test many of those which have so far only received cheap trials.

YAMBULLA, Thursday.

At the prospecting claim the contractors are making good headway with sinking. The lode maintains its size, and the quality is still improving. Quigg Bros., on the British Lion, are still raising good stone. They are much hampered by bad air. Ohlsen, at Mount Poole, is unable to proceed with his shaft for want of explosives. The stringency of the regulations controlling the carrying of explosives causes this field to be often short of dynamite. Greenlees and party, on the 15 acres, cut the reef in the hanging wall about ten feet below where it was lost. The stone looks fairly well.

YERRANDERIE, Thursday.

Mr. A. C. Bartlett, manager of the Bartlett mines, has a large number of teams now hauling ore to Camden.

The Burragorang mine (Mr. R. A. Nelson manager) is working as usual.

TIN MINING.

EMMAVILLE, Thursday.

The manager of Bourke's Hill Tin-sluicing Company reports:—During the week both plants have been running on average dirt, and everything in connection with the mine is going well. Expect a good yield for March. The water supply is good.

During the last week's run the Stannum dredge treated 1000 cubic yards of material for a yield of 15cwt of tin. Work of preparing a new site is going on, and as soon as everything is ready the plant will be shifted. The water supply is geting low.

The new plant recently installed by the Great Britain Tin Sluicing Company is giving every satisfaction. The clean-up on Monday realised between 5 and 6 tons of tin for the week's run. The water supply is good. So far, only the previously-worked ground is being treated in this paddock.

The work of erecting the Tarra dredging plant, on Catarrah Creek, is proceeding satisfactorily, and everything will be in readiness in a few weeks to commence sluicing operations.

Sluicing is now going on at the Elsie dredge, and the mine is looking well. The ground is about 24ft, carrying average tin values all through. At the present time, there is every prospect of this mine paying handsomely.

Development work is still going on at the Albion mine, on the Rose Valley lead, which will in future be controlled by the Vegetable Creek Tin Mining Company, No Liability, previously known as the Mount Paris Company. Rich wash is being obtained from the western drives, and the property gives every promise of opening out well.

At the Y Water property the barge was successfully floated into position last week, and everything will soon be ready to resume sluicing. The ground to be worked in the new paddock carries good tin. Up to the present, the Y Water Company have obtained 50 tons of tin from the mine.

BROKEN HILL MINES.

BROKEN HILL, Thursday.

The B.H. North mine last week sent away 482 tons of concentrates. The new main shaft was sunk 10ft to 1048ft. Both winzes below the 950ft level are in good ore. One is down 38ft, the other 30ft. The main north drive at the 950ft level is now in 111ft from the crosscut. Steady headway is being made with the erection and fitting of the new mill.

A meeting of shareholders in the King's Bluff Gold-mining Company last night decided to increase the capital from 2000 shares of £5 each to 100,000 shares of 5/ each, 40,000 shares of the new issue to go to the present shareholders.

The reconstruction of the Silver Peak mine has failed, only 600 shares having been applied for, and the company will now be voluntarily wound up, and the property auctioned.

At a meeting of the local shareholders in the B.H. Junction Company held last night to discuss the affairs of the company about 30,000 shares were represented. Mr. W. C. Davies presided. Several shareholders condemned the policy of the directors. Not enough work, it was argued, had been done, and what was done in no way increased the actual ore reserves to fit the mine for production. The need was emphasised of a crosscut to the lode at 900ft or 1000ft, instead of shaft sinking. All the speakers expressed their belief in the mine, but thought a more active policy should be adopted. A couple of shareholders thought an effort should be made to get Bewick, Moreing, and Co. to take over direction of the property. A committee was appointed to write to the board on several matters, and to report at a future meeting.

GOLD MINING IN A CEMETERY.

ORE WORTH THREE OUNCES PER TON.

PEAK HILL, Thursday.

Coleman and party, on the Cemetery line of reef, have just completed a trial crushing of 20 tons for 65oz of gold, being an average of over 3oz per ton. This parcel was taken from the 100ft level, the deepest shaft on the line of reef. Four claims are now on highly payable stone. The average width of reef is about 18in, and the country rock is soft. All parties have now had a crushing, and the lowest return in each case has been over 1oz per ton. The stone is improving in value as depth is attained. The next deepest shaft to Coleman and party gave a return of over 2oz per ton from 86 tons.

Considerable local interest prevails, and permits to mine on private property have been applied for along the line of reef. Applications for leases covering the whole of the cemetery have been applied for; also a considerable portion of the public road. Furner and party have also discovered a large lode, 12ft wide, on private lands at Mingelo. Assays made give the average value as half an ounce of gold per ton. In this instance also a large number of applications for permits have been made.

INTERSTATE EXCHANGES.

ADELAIDE, Thursday.

Sales and quotations:—Western Australian Mines: Associated, 22/9, b 22/9, s 22/10½; Associated Northern, 7/3, 7/1, b 7/1, s 7/3; Boulder Perseverance, 6/4½, 6/4, b 6/4, s 6/5; Chaffer's, 7/3, 7/, b 7/, s 7/3; Cumberland, 2/4, b 2/3, s 2/4; Great Boulder, 24/4½, 24/3, 24/6, b 24/4½, s 24/6; Golden Ridge, 17/, b 16/6, s 17/6; Hannan's Star, b 6/4, s 6/5; Ivanhoe, b £8/7/6, s £8/10/; Lake View Consols, b 19/1½, s 19/4½; Boulder Main Reef, 5/11, 5/10, b 5/9, s 5/10½; Mararoa, 17/6, b 17/6, s 18/; North Kalgurli, 2/4, 2/3, 2/4, b 2/4, s 2/5; Oroya, 16/3, b 16/1½, s 16/4½; Black Range, b 20/3, s 20/9; Princess Royal, /9; Paringa, 1/2; Sons of Gwalia, b 29/3, s 30/3; Sons of Gwalia South, paid, 26/7½, b 26/, s 26/1½.

Various: King's Bluff, b 25/, s 50/; Waihi's, /10½.

Silver: B.H. Proprietary, b 31/1½, s 31/6; B.H. Block 14, pref., 10/10½, b 10/3, s 11/; British (old), 15/3, b 15/3, s 15/4½; British (new), b 14/6, s 14/7½; B.H. Block 10, b 58/6, s 59/6; Junctions, 2/10½, b 2/10½, s 2/11; B.H. South, paid, 84/9, 84/6, b 84/9, s 85/; B.H. South, contg, 79/, b 78/, s 79/6; B.H. South Blocks, b 21/, s 21/3; Sulphides (ord.), b 11/6, s 12/; Zinc Corporation (pref.), b 31/, s 32/; ditto (ord.), b 4/9, s 4/10½.

Copper.—Chillagoe, b 4/5, s 4/9; Mount Elliott, b 65/, s 70/; O.K. Copper, 2/2½, 2/1, b 2/, s 2/2; Wallaroo and Moonta, 32/1½, b 32/, s 32/3.

Tin.—Stannary Hills, /9½; Investments, Carmichael, 7/9.

BENDIGO, Thursday.

Sales: Bruhn's Consolidated, 4/10½; ditto, paid, 5/; Catherine Reef United, 20/, 19/9, 20/; Collmann and Tacchi, 6/; Frederick the Great, 1/3, 1/4; Goldfields Consolidated, 4/2; Spring Gully, 5/7½; Suffolk United, 7/9, 7/.

BRISBANE, Thursday.

Sales: No. 1 North Columbia Smithfield, 4/; Bonnie Dundee, 4/; Clarkes Day Dawn, contg., /5; Kelly's Queen Block, contg., /7½; Pfeiffer's Day Dawn, paid, forward 4/10½.

CHARTERS TOWERS, Thursday.

Sales: Peter and Paul, 1/2½; B. Central, 3/4; B. Deeps, 5/10, 5/3; B. Block, 5/7; Carrington, 2/, 1/10; D. D. Gold mines, /6; Alexandra, /10 to 1/1; Kelly's, paid, 1/9; Marshall's, 1/11 to 2/1; Q. Cross, 1/3; Q. South, /2½, /3; North Queen, /6; Ruby, /9.

LAUNCESTON, Thursday.

Quotations:—Tasmania, b 4/5; North Farrell's, b 6/6; Tasmanian Copper, b 4/9, s 5/3; Mount Bischoff, b £20/10; Arba, b 8/, s 9/; Pioneer, b 25/9; Wyniford, b /4; Mutual Hill, b /6.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

Silver: B.H. Block 10, 58/6; B.H. Junction, 2/9½; North Broken Hill, 50/4.

Copper: Tasman and Crown Extended, 1/3, 1/4, 1/2½; ditto, paid, 1/3; Macgregor, 4/8, 4/6½; O.K. Copper (Adelaide register), 2/3.

Tin: Briseis, 5/10, 5/9; Tongkah Harbour, paid, 30/6.

Gold: All Nations, 3/5, 3/6; Burnt Creek, 10/3; Cathcart, 6/9; ditto, paid, 5/10; Catherine Reef, 20/; Champion, 1/2, 1/3; Diamond Creek, 4/9, 4/6; Duke and Main Leads, 14/, 14/2; Goldfields Consolidated, 4/3, 4/1½; Long Tunnel, 89/, 90/; ditto Extended, 98/, 95/; Lord Nelson, 14/, 14/6; New Birthday, 1/10; New Dempsey, 6/; New Loch Fyne, 2/8; Nuggety Ajax, 5/1, 4/7, 4/8; Rose of Denmark, 13/6, 15/; Victor's Quartz, 2/3; Black Range, 58/3, 59/, 58/6; Chaffer's, 7/2, 7/3.

TASMANIAN COPPER MINE.

LAUNCESTON, Thursday.

Instructions have just been received from London to start active operations at Roseberry by the Tasmanian Metals Extraction Company, which holds an option over the Tasmanian copper mine.

LONDON MARKET.

Private cables give the following London Stock Exchange quotations made on Wednesday:—East Rands, 153/ (m); Ashantis, 18/9 (m); Prestea Blocks, 21/9 (m); Chaffers, 7/4½ (m); Oroyas, 16/6 (m); Golden Links, 4/ (m); Great Fingalls, 14/9 (m). Other quotations were:—Broken Hills, 30/6 (b); B.H. South (paid), 84/3 (b); Mt. Lyells, 32/9 (b). Copper was quoted at £55/15/, a decline of 6/3, and lead at £13/10/, a rise of 1/3 per ton.

The latest portrait of the German Emperor appears in the current issue of the "Sydney Mail."—Advt.

VICTORIA.

FIREMEN ACQUITTED OF STEALING.

MELBOURNE, Thursday.

At the Supreme Court Criminal Sittings before Mr. Justice Hood, two young men, Alfred Ernest Smith and Alfred Alexander Roberts, firemen connected with the Metropolitan Fire Brigade, pleaded not guilty to a charge of stealing a quantity of dress and other goods, the property of J. H. F. Roberts, Flinders-lane, on February 23, and were acquitted.

MINERS' PHTHISIS.

ACTION IN MELBOURNE.

The Premier yesterday received a deputation that had for its object the placing of miners' phthisis in the schedule of diseases to be under the compensation conditions in the proposed Workmen's Compensation Bill. The Premier agreed that the request of the deputation was reasonable. "You and I and others will stamp out this disease, or we will stamp out the industry," was his comment. "If it means death to the men who go into the mines it becomes a serious question. I would be against any man going down and committing suicide. The cheapest way for the employer to insure himself under the provisions of the bill will be to improve the conditions."

FEDERATED SEAMEN.

REQUEST FOR AUSTRALIAN CONDITIONS.

A deputation, headed by Senator Guthrie, president, and Mr. Cooper, secretary, of the Federated Seamen's Union, waited on the Premier (Mr. Murray), and asked that in connection with the contract for the carriage of produce between Fiji and Victoria to be subsidised by the State Government, no tender be accepted unless the ships to engage in the trade agreed to work under Australian conditions of hours and pay. It was pointed out that the Seamen's Union had just signed an agreement with Commonwealth steamship owners, and that it would be unfair to the association shipping firms to have to tender against other shipping ventures, which might employ cheap coolie labour or lascars. "I am not inclined to accept Australian conditions when I find men are working 19 and 16 hours a day," remarked Mr. Murray. Senator Guthrie said he was quite prepared to accept an eight-hour day if the Premier could arrange it. But he might say that Australian conditions were the best for seafaring men in the world. Mr. Murray expressed himself in favour of the request. One obstacle was, it might look something like a repudiation of the contract entered into with Fiji.

BARBED WIRE.

SYDNEY'S PULL ON MELBOURNE.

The Melbourne Harbour Trust yesterday received a deputation representing the barbed wire manufacturers of Victoria. It was stated that the Victorian manufacturer was placed at a very great disadvantage by comparison with the manufacturers in other States, and particularly New South Wales, through the great disparity existing between the wharfage rates charged at Melbourne and at Sydney. Sydney importers had to pay 2s 6d per ton wharfage on its arrival at Sydney, whereas at Melbourne the charge made was 5s per ton, with an additional 9d per ton for stacking. Then if that wire landed at Melbourne went on to Sydney, there was a Sydney charge of 2s 6d a ton, making a total of 8s 3d per ton wharfage to be paid by the Victorian manufacturer, while the Sydney manufacturer had only to pay an extra 1s per ton if he wanted to send wire to Melbourne, which meant that the Victorian finished article cost 4s 9d per ton more to deliver at Sydney than the finished Sydney made article cost to deliver in Melbourne. The chairman promised the deputation that its requests would meet with every consideration.

UNLICENSED LIQUOR.

Ah Loch was sentenced to three months' imprisonment by the District Court Bench today for having sold liquor without a license. In November, 1907, he was fined £25 for a similar offence.

A LIVING WAGE.

MR. JUSTICE HIGGINS' RULE NOT ACCEPTED.

Mr. Justice A'Beckett sat to-day as a Court of Industrial Appeal under the Shops and Factories Act to review a determination of the Court in regard to the wages and hours of work in the fellmongery trade. Mr. Justice A'Beckett at the outset said that he thought he ought not to accept, as counsel for the union had suggested, Mr. Justice Higgins' view of what constituted a living wage. He thought the responsibility was laid upon the Court of forming its own opinion upon such an important matter, and that he could not take the decision of another Judge in another case as an unfailing guide. The hearing will be continued to-morrow.

MASS MEETING OF PUBLICANS.

A mass meeting of hotelkeepers was held to-day to decide upon the platform for the recently-formed trade organisation, which is to be called the Licensees' Union, and to arrange a deputation to lay the grievances of their branch of the trade before the Premier. The points in respect of which legislation is asked for are:—(1) The establishment of a fair rent, court abolition of bonuses, and security of tenure for the tenant; (2) a referendum on limited Sunday trading; (3) direct representation of the licensees' reduction board, and a readjustment of the 3 per cent. tax on liquors purchased; (4) amendment of the section for suppression of sly grog-sellers; (5) amendments of the anomalies in the present Licensing Act. Mr. A. A. Farthing, chairman, said that the union had been formed for protective purposes.

NEW ZEALAND.

LEGION OF FRONTIERSMEN.

WELLINGTON, Wednesday.

Captain Noyes, Commissioner for the Legion of Frontiersmen, has failed to form a branch in New Zealand, which he says is the only country in the British dominions which has failed to do its part. The Defence Council thinks there is no necessity for such a corps.

DR. CHAPMAN'S MISSION.

The Rev. Dr. Wilbur Chapman, who will conduct an evangelical mission in Australia, is being invited by the Wellington Council of the Churches to pay a similar visit to New Zealand.

NEW CO-OPERATIVE COMPANY.

At a meeting of the Wairarapa farmers it was decided to form a co-operative freezing company with a capital of £100,000.

The steel roofing of a new works building which is being erected for the Gear Meat Company at Petone, near Wellington, collapsed. Eleven men were injured and one killed.

Colonel Webb, secretary to the Council of Defence, retires under the age limit at the end of this month.

AUCKLAND, Wednesday.

The Navua arrived from Samoa to-day. Everything was quiet when she left.

Doctor Buck has been elected a member of the northern Maori electorate vice Mr. Hone Heke, deceased.

NORFOLK ISLAND.

March 16.

The island mail steamer Tambo, Captain Wetherall, of Messrs. Burns, Philp, and Co.'s line, arrived from Sydney on the evening of Sunday, the 8th instant, and came up to the town anchorage the next morning, when the passengers and mails were soon landed and the cargo discharged during the day, the steamer resuming her voyage to the islands the same afternoon. Extremely heavy weather was encountered on the passage down, which somewhat delayed the steamer.

Among the passengers by the Tambo was Mr. D. Cuthbert, the superintendent of the cable station, Anson Bay, who resumes duty here after a somewhat lengthy absence in Sydney, whither he went early in last year to take charge during the absence of the manager, Mr. Milward.

When some of the islanders were breaking down part of the walls of the old prison they came across a pair of convict trousers, carefully rolled up and hidden in a recess of the wall and plastered over. The garment was plainly numbered 431, and was in fair condition considering the time it must have been in its hiding-place. There were some marks on it, which it is thought were bloodstains. Possibly it is a reminiscence of some dark deed committed in the convict days.

There was a great function at the Public school on the 5th instant, a postponement, really, from Christmas, the day being proclaimed a public holiday. The proceedings commenced with speeches from the chief magistrate, the headmaster (Mr. Jacobs), and others. Afterwards the school work was inspected and much admired, the little girls' work especially. Mr. Jacobs has much to contend with to combat the island patois, in almost universal use among the parents and children. After the formal proceedings there was a picnic for the children, all the elders joining in, followed by sports, maypole, drilling, etc. The gathering was the largest for several years past.

HORTICULTURAL SHOW.

CACTUS DAHLIAS AND ORCHIDS.

Favoured by pleasant showers during the late summer, the flower growers of the suburbs were able to present an attractive display at the exhibition of the Horticultural Society in the Town Hall yesterday. Mr. J. H. Maiden opened the show, which was well-attended. A brighter day and the absence of the electric light would have enhanced the beauty of flowers in which delicate shades of yellow and blue were present, but despite the drawback of insufficient light, there was all the beauty necessary to give those who attended the utmost pleasure in inspecting the tables. Cactus dahlias were a prominent feature, and the flowering orchids were exquisite gems of unusual colour combination. The interest of connoisseurs was engaged by the new roses introduced since 1906. The best rose of the show was the George Ward, a reddish bloom from the garden of Mr. G. Knight, but there were many admirers for the salmon pink Lyon rose, the Beatrice, and the Albatross. All the new varieties were healthy and well set up, and they stood the trying weather conditions of yesterday much better than some other tender garden growths.

All the tables of roses were good, particularly the non-competitive exhibits of Messrs. Vollmer and Vessey, and Halstead and Smyth. The pride of the show, however, was the collection of cactus dahlias shown by Mr. W. C. Fripp, competitively, and Mr. G. H. Kerslake, non-competitively. The plants evolved in this class by Mr. Kerslake have now spread well about the country, and are carefully tended by the amateurs and professionals who have secured them. The central feature was a fine group of decorative palms and ornamental hot-house plants from the Botanic Gardens, and two minor groups shown by Mr. Hugh Dixson and Mr. J. Hazelwood were almost equal in general effect. The competition for best decorated table did not bring forth as many entries as usual, but the five submitted were deemed by the judges to be nearly of equal merit. The first prize went to the table in which the true autumn colours were employed to the most advantage. Mention should also be made of the tiny pompone dahlias, gloxinias, with their rich red cups daintily white-edged, double purple petunias, the pink umbels of the begonia, and some huge begonias possessing petals two inches across. The exhibits of fruit by Mr. Spurway (Orange) was rich and varied. Prominent amongst the fruits were some very fine cooking pears, apples, and late plums, and some large pomegranates. From Mr. Hugh Dixson's walled orchard came a capital collection of grapes. The credit of the general display of plants and flowers in the spacious hall belongs to the hon. secretary, Mr. H. H. B. Bradley. The prize-list was as follows:—

Group of plants, 9ft circle: J. Hazelwood, 1; Hugh Dixson, 2. Six plants: H. Dixson, 1; J. Hazelwood, 2. Six pots of plants, for table decoration: H. Dixson, 1; J. Hazelwood, 2. Cut blooms—Twenty-four cactus dahlias: F. M'Quade, 1; W. C. Fripp, 2. Eighteen cactus dahlias: W. C. Fripp. Twelve cactus dahlias: F. M'Quade, 1; W. C. Fripp, 2. Six cactus dahlias: W. C. Fripp, 1; A. J. Tymms, 2. Eighteen pompone dahlias: W. C. Fripp, 1; A. Yates and Co., 2. Twelve pompone dahlias: W. C. Fripp, 1; A. Yates and Co., 2. Twenty-four roses: G. Knight, 1; Royal Nurseries (Homebush), 2. Twelve roses: G. Knight, 1; Royal Nurseries, 2. Twelve decorative roses: G. Knight, 1; A. J. Tymms, 2. Six roses, of varieties introduced since 1906: G. Knight, 1; Royal Nurseries, 2. Twelve bouvardias: A. J. Tymms. Six bulbous growths: A. Yates and Co. Twelve miscellaneous outdoor growths: Miss Edith Walker, 1; A. Yates and Co., 2.

Division B.—Three palms: M. Marks. Three ferns: Mrs. J. M. Floyd. Three table plants: M. Marks. Cut blooms—Twelve cactus dahlias: S. Stewart, 1; R. Butcher, 2. Six cactus dahlias: R. Butcher, 1; S. Stewart, 2; D. Rumble, h.c. Three cactus dahlias: R. Butcher, 1; H. Hudson, 2. Six show dahlias: H. Hudson, 2. Six pompone dahlias: H. Hudson, 1; F. N. Camroux, 2. Twelve roses: H. F. Emert, 1; W. C. M'Kay, 2. Six roses: W. C. M'Kay. Six decorative roses: W. C. M'Kay. Three miscellaneous blooms, not orchids: M. Marks.

Division C (decorative).—Table decoration: Miss E. Kershaw, 1; Miss Vesey, 2; Mrs. Jones, 3. Basket of flowers (any foliage): Mrs. Jones, 1; Miss B. Chauncey, 2. Bowl of flowers: Miss B. Chauncey, 1; Mrs. Jones, 2. Three dress sprays: Mrs. J. H. Horton, 1; Mrs. Jones, 2. Three buttonhole bouquets: Mrs. Jones, 1; Mrs. J. H. Horton, 2.

Division D (open to all growers).—Table of cactus dahlias: W. C. Fripp. Tables of roses (any foliage): E. W. Kershaw, 1; Vollmer and Vesey, 2. Champion cactus dahlia: S. G. Lee. Six cactus dahlias: W. C. Fripp, 1; H. H. B. Bradley, 2.

Division E.—Fruit and vegetables: A. E. Spurway, 1; S. Allan, 2. Six dishes fruit: H. Dixson, 1; S. Allen, 2. Six varieties grapes: H. Dixson, 1; A. E. Spurway, 2. Twelve varieties vegetables: D. Rumble. Six varieties vegetables: D. Rumble. One dozen tomatoes: A. E. Sporway.

Division F (open to all).—Display of orchids: A. Yates, 1; H. Dixson, 2. Six orchids: H. Dixson. Three orchids: M. Marks.

Non-competitive:—Group of plants: Botanic Gardens (J. H. Maiden), v.h.c. Collection of fruit: W. Spurway, certificate. Display of roses: Halstead and Smyth, v.h.c. Collection of roses, climbing pink Maman Cochets, in flower: A. Yates and Co., h.c. Dahlias, tuberous begonias, coleus, etc.: A. Yates and Co., cultural certificate. Display of cactus dahlias: G. H. Kershaw, cultural certificate. Single dahlias: W. R. Sayon, h.c.

During the evening the first of the Robert Henderson medals was handed over to the council of the society by the secretary of the body of flower lovers and horticulturists who are handling this movement. The medal was received, and on a motion tabled by Mr. J. H. Horton, and supported by Messrs. C. H. Versey, Arthur Yates, W. Forsyth, M. Marks, and several others, was unanimously presented to Mr. G. H. Kerslake for his work among the cactus dahlias. Mr. Arthur Yates made the presentation to Mr. Kerslake.

FIRE IN THE CITY.

At about 8.30 last night a fire broke out in an unoccupied building situated in Hay-st, city, owned by T. M. Goodall and Co. The cause was supposed to have been a light thrown down. Deputy Superintendent Sparkes attended with a motor engine, salvage, and ladders from headquarters, a steamer from George-street West, an engine and ladders from Pyrmont, and a hose carriage from Darlinghurst. The fire was extinguished with one hydrant after a quantity of wood and shelving on the first floor had been burned. The building was composed of wood and iron, and was being demolished in connection with the erection of the new markets.

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CLAYTON.—The Friends of Mrs. NELLIE CLAYTON are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her beloved HUSBAND, Thomas Clayton; to leave his late residence, Botany-street, Randwick, THIS DAY, FRIDAY, at 3.15 p.m., for Waverley Cemetery.
CHARLES KINSELA, 116 Oxford-street, city.

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CLAYTON.—The Friends of Misses ADELAIDE, SARAH, ELSIE, and JULIA CLAYTON are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their dearly loved BROTHER, Thomas; to leave his late residence, Botany-street, Randwick, for Waverley Cemetery, THIS AFTERNOON, at 3 o'clock.

CLAYTON.—The Friends of Mrs. JANE CLAYTON are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her late dearly beloved GRANDSON, Thomas Clayton; to leave his late residence, Greenwick, Botany-street, Randwick, THIS AFTERNOON, at 3 p.m., for Waverley Cemetery.

CLAYTON.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. JOSEPH CLAYTON, Mr. THOMAS CLAYTON, Mr. and Mrs. GEO. CLAYTON, Mr. and Mrs. ALFRED CLAYTON, Mr. and Mrs. PRIESTLY are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly beloved NEPHEW, Thomas Clayton; to leave his late residence, Greenwick, Botany-street, Randwick, THIS AFTERNOON, at 3 p.m., for Waverley Cemetery.

DE BERT.—The Funeral of the late Mr. PETER DE BERT, late of Liverpool, England, will leave the Mortuary, THIS (Friday) MORNING, at 9.22, for Rookwood.
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O'BRIEN.—The Funeral of the late Mrs. MARY O'BRIEN will leave her late residence, 148 West-street, North Sydney, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at 2.30, for the Roman Catholic Cemetery, Gore Hill.
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O'HALLORAN.—The Friends of the late Mr. THOMAS O'HALLORAN are respectfully invited to attend his Funeral; to leave 22 O'Connor-street, Chippendale, THIS AFTERNOON, at 1.45, for the Necropolis.
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O'HALLORAN.—The Friends of Mrs. M. O'HALLORAN and Miss FLORRIE O'HALLORAN are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly beloved BROTHER-IN-LAW and UNCLE, Mr. T. O'Halloran; to leave 22 O'Connor-street, Chippendale, THIS AFTERNOON, at 1.45, for the Necropolis.

QUODLING.—The Friends of Mr. ROBERT ALFRED QUODLING are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of his late beloved WIFE, Emilie Mary; to move from his residence, Wolobral, Beecroft, THIS (Friday) MORNING, at 9.30 o'clock, for Gore Hill Cemetery, arriving about 12.30 o'clock.
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STENHOUSE.—The Friends of Mr. GEORGE STENHOUSE are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of his late dearly loved WIFE; to leave his residence, Ophir, Addison-road, Marrickville, THIS (Friday) AFTERNOON, at 1.45, for the Presbyterian Cemetery, Rookwood, via Petersham Station.
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STENHOUSE.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. JAMES STENHOUSE and FAMILY are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly loved DAUGHTER and SISTER, Mrs. Cecilia Stenhouse; to leave Ophir, Addison-road, Marrickville, THIS AFTERNOON, at 1.45, for the Necropolis.
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TONKIN.—The Friends of Mrs. MARY TONKIN and Messrs. JOHN and GEORGE TONKIN are kindly invited to attend the Funeral of her late dearly beloved HUSBAND and their FATHER, Jacob Tonkin, which will leave his late residence, 3 Broadstairs-street, Balmain, THIS FRIDAY, at 1 o'clock, for the Roman Catholic Cemetery, Necropolis.
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TORZILLO.—The Friends of the late PASQUALE TORZILLO are kindly invited to attend his Funeral; to leave his late residence, 295 Forbes-street, Darlinghurst, THIS DAY, FRIDAY, at 2.30 p.m., for Waverley Cemetery.
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WYATT.—The Friends of Mr. JOHN WYATT and FAMILY are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly loved WIFE and MOTHER; to leave 148 Trafalgar-street, Annandale, TO-MORROW (Saturday) AFTERNOON, at 1 o'clock, for the Necropolis, via Mortuary Station.
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WYATT.—The Friends of Mr. and Mrs. S. FIZZELL, Mr. and Mrs. C. CLIMPSON, Mr. and Mrs. V. E. SHORTLAND, Mr. and Mrs. J. PHILPOTT, and Messrs. T. and W. FIZZELL are respectfully invited to attend the Funeral of their late dearly loved DAUGHTER and SISTER, Mrs. Kate Wyatt; to leave 148 Trafalgar-street, Annandale, TO-MORROW, Saturday, at 1 o'clock, for the Necropolis. COFFILL and COMPANY.

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HAIRDRESSER.—Wanted, Man for few weeks, start Monday. Whait, 299 Darling-st, Balmain.

HAIRDRESSER.—Smart young Man wanted, for Saturdays. Earle, 32 George-st West.

HAIRDRESSERS.—Wanted, smart Lad, must have some exp. of the trade. Apply 149 King-st, city.

HAIRDRESSER wanted, for Saturday. 687 George-st, Haymarket.

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HAIRDRESSERS.—First-class Saturday Hand. Apply early, bring tools, 288 King-st, Newtown.

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JUNIOR CLERK. Apply in own handwriting, stating quali., Russell, Sole, Equit.-building, George-st.

LAD, over 16, for small lift, wages start 15s. Apply Joyce Bros., Ltd., 197 Clarence-st.

LETTERPRESS FEEDERS wanted. Apply William Brooks and Co., Ltd., 17 Castlereagh-st.

LAD, respectable, wanted, 10s to start. Duncalfe and Co., hatters, 321 George-st.

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MACHINE FITTER wanted, for small job. Apply 10 o'c., Standard Manfg. Co., 443 Kent-st, upstairs.

MILLINERY.—Improvers wanted, must have city experience. Miss Macdougall, 191 Pitt-st.

MACHINISTS.—Wtd., 10, for Underclothing, Skirts, and Blouses. George Dan, 131 Elizabeth-st, Rdfrn.

MEDICAL.—The Glebe Lodge, L.O.O.F., invite applications for the Position of Medical Officer. Apply, stating terms and other particulars, on or before Monday, 29th March, marked "Medical."
JOHN WEBB, Secretary, 23 Bridge-road, Glebe.

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF SYDNEY.
INSPECTOR OF NUISANCES.
Applications, accompanied by testimonials as to qualifications, ability, and experience, will be received until 3 o'clock on Monday, the 19th April, 1909, from persons competent to undertake the duties of the above position.
Applicants must hold either a Certificate of the London Sanitary Institute, or that of the Sydney Technical College, for the full course.
Salary to commence at £300 per annum, rising to £350 per annum on completing three years' satisfactory service, and to £400 per annum on completing five years' satisfactory service.
A schedule of duties attached to the appointment and further particulars may be had on application to the undersigned.
THOMAS H. NESBITT, Town Clerk.
Town Hall, Sydney, 24th March, 1909.

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF SYDNEY.
SANITARY INSPECTOR.
Applications, accompanied by testimonials as to qualifications, ability, and experience will be received by the undersigned until 3 o'clock p.m., on Monday, the 19th April, 1909, from persons qualified to fill the position of SANITARY INSPECTOR.
Applicants must hold either a Certificate of the London Sanitary Institute, or that of the Sydney Technical College, for the full course.
Applications are to be made on forms, which are obtainable on personal application at the Town Hall, or by post if stamp enclosed, between the hours of 9 o'clock a.m. and 4 o'clock p.m. (Saturdays until 12 o'clock noon), until Saturday, the 17th April, 1909.
A schedule of duties attached to the appointment and further particulars may be had on application to the Town Clerk, Town Hall, Sydney.
THOMAS H. NESBITT, Town Clerk.
Town Hall, Sydney, 24th March, 1909.

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF SYDNEY.
MOTOR INSPECTOR REQUIRED.
Applications will be received by the undersigned until 10 o'clock a.m. on Monday next, 29th instant, from experienced persons capable of undertaking the duties of MOTOR INSPECTOR.
Applications to be made on forms, which are obtainable at the Town Hall, Sydney, on personal application, or by post if stamp enclosed, between the hours of 9 o'clock a.m. and 4 o'clock p.m. (Saturdays 9 o'clock a.m. till 12 o'clock noon), until 12 o'clock noon on Saturday, 27th instant.
Particulars as to duties, etc., may be had on application at the office of the City Electrical Engineer, Queen Victoria Markets, Sydney.
THOMAS H. NESBITT, Town Clerk.
Town Hall, Sydney, 24th March, 1909.

MUNICIPAL COUNCIL OF SYDNEY.
MESSENGER REQUIRED.
Applications will be received until 10 o'clock a.m. on Saturday, 27th instant, from Lads who have had a fair education, for the position of Junior MESSENGER in the service of the City Council. Wages to commence, 7s 6d per week.
THOMAS H. NESBITT, Town Clerk.
Town Hall, Sydney, 24th March, 1909.

OFFICE BOY wanted. D. Hardy and Sons, 377-389 Cleveland-st, Redfern.

PRESSERS.—Wanted, thor. exp. Woman Presser, for ladies' skirts. American Mfg. Co., 226 Clarence-st.

PLASTERERS wanted. Wheelwright Bros.' job, Burns-rd, Wahroonga. Also Labourer, Mosman. A. Everett.

PLUMBER.—Good General HAND, must be good. 355 Darling-st, Balmain.

PRINTING.—Wanted, Letterpress FEED-BOY, best wages. Ross Bros., Ltd., 547 Kent-st.

PITH CHAIR MAKERS wanted, best wages, perm. positions suitable han.'s. De Groen, 279 Pitt-st, city.

PRESSER WANTED. Apply H. Austin, Dyer, 286 Cleveland-st, Surry Hills.

PRESSERS.—Good Presser wanted. Australian Clothing Factory, 214 Sussex-st.

PLUMBERS.—Wanted, first-class IMPROVER. Apply early, W. Wenban, 139 Liverpool-rd, Ashfield.

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EVENING SCARVES, Sequin and Spangled Designs, in Sky, Pink, White and Gold, Plain Gold, Plain Silver, Amethyst and Silver .. 15/6, 17/6, 19/6, 25/6
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PLASTERERS.—Billy Kaiser wanted. Martin-rd, Centennial Park.

PAINTER wanted, second grade. Apply New Cottage, Punchbowl-rd, Enfield, 10 o'clock.

PAINTERS wanted. Only smart hands. Apply this morning. Sutton, 564 Crown-st, S.H.

PLUMBERS.—LAD, used to trade, and IMPROVER wanted. A. E. Cornish, 130 George-st West.

PROFESSIONAL Hairdresser.—Wanted, a 1st-cl. Man, for Sat., wages 12s 6d. 50 Erskine-st, city.

PRESSERS.
Strong GIRL, for pressing seams.
M. CROMAR and CO., 222 Clarence-street, 5th floor.

PLASTERER wanted, one qualified to lay tiles and fix marble mantels; country job.
Apply Crystal Palace Hotel, George-street.
References required.

RESPECTABLE BOYS wanted. W. C. Penfold and Co., Litho. Dept., 201 Clarence-st.

SMART YOUTH, for high-class tailor's shop, to learn business. 51 Castlereagh-st.

SMITH wanted. West's Patent Tyre Setter Co., Ltd., Hay-st.

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SMART Junior CLERK required. State age and previous experience to Merchant, Herald Office.

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SMART respectable LAD wanted for shop and errands. Age and references to Box 839, G.P.O.

SOLDERERS and TINSMITHS wanted. H. S. Shaw, Tinsmith, 104½ Bourke-st, Woolloomooloo.

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3 WARDSMAIDS required, 12s p.w., with board, lodging, and washing. Apply between 9 and 10 to THE MATRON.

SALESMAN wanted for outdoors, who understands either the selling of businesses or properties, must have thorough knowledge of general commission business. IVAN HENRY, 124 Pitt-street.

SURVEYOR'S ASSISTANT, competent work separate party in field, and good with theodolite. Apply by letter, stating experience and salary required, also enclose copy reference.
F. D. PHILLIPS, c/o Gibbs, Bright, and Co., Pitt-st.

SIMMONDS' AGENCY, 188 CASTLEREAGH-STREET.
BUTCHER, drive cutting cart, £1, keep, suburbs. 2 Bakers' IMPROVERS, mould, make dough, 17s 6d, 15s.
GOVERNESSES WANTED.
GOV. (Prot.), teach 5 pupils, Eng., music, £35, stn. GOV. (C.E.), teach 3 childn. Music, £30, ctry., call 11. GOVERNESS (Prot.), Eng., music, sing., paint., 3 children, station, good place, £45, meet 11.30 to-d.

TABLE HANDS, also Improvers and Apprentices, constant, gd. wgs. Weingott, Sons, 174A Sussex-st.

TAILORESSES.—Wanted, Skirtmakers, open till end of week. Hayward, 328 George-st.

TAILORESSES.—F.-cl. Machinists, also 1st-cl. Table Hands, high wages. M'Arthur's, Ltd., 77 York-st.

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TAILORESSES.
First-class COAT MAKERS wanted.
Apply Tailoring Department, DAVID JONES, LTD.

THE CIVIL SERVICE STORES.
Strong YOUTH, about 16 years, wanted, to learn Crockery Packing. Apply Castlereagh-st entrance, 9.30 a.m. Friday.

TAILORESSES.—Wanted, good TROUSERS FINISHERS for best work; also Apprentices, 5s to start to smart Girls. SAMUEL BROS., 407 Kent-street, near Market-street.

TO PARENTS.—Wanted, for the Office of a York-street Warehouse, a refined, WELL-EDUCATED YOUTH, one just leaving school preferred.
Rex, Box 51, G.P.O.

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AUSTRAL CLOTHING COMPANY, Kent and Druitt streets.

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FARMER AND COMPANY, LIMITED,
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WANTED, intelligent LAD as Apprentice to Printers' Furn. trade, 6s p. wk. 1st 6 mths. 63, Herald.

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WANTED, yg. MAN, assistant agent travelling cny., post, shop plac., circulars. Campanologian, Herald.

WANTED, a Scabbler, for kerbing and guttering. Eveng., after 5, J. Devitt, Hasting-st, Botany.

WANTED, good CARPENTER. Fewings and Co., 15 Phillip-st, city.

WANTED, Apprentice, for the baking trade. Law's Bread Factory, Petersham.

WANTED, BOY, 15, deliver milk, no milkin, 10s and keep, fare paid. Arena, Lyons-rd, D'moyne.

WANTED, strong YOUTH, cellar work, references required. State age. 11s. 561B, Herald.

WANTED, young Lady Typiste, knowledge shorthand. By lett., Reuben Brasch, Hyde Park Cnr., Oxf.-st.

WANTED, yng. MAN for sand-papering furniture, price weekly. A., Herald Office, King-st.

WANTED, MAN, to Brick Stables, labour only. Jones Bros., Bathurst-st.

WANTED, BOY, for Shop. Messrs Messenter and Ferguson, Tailors, 515 George-st, Sydney.

WTD., good compt. Man, for Shaving Machine, immediately. J. Bayley, Sons, Ltd., Water Res., Botany.

WANTED, Stonebreakers, at White, Metal Quarry, Gladesville. Woods and Taylor.

WANTED, two Boys, about 15, smart. Federal Rubber Stamp Works, 117 Bathurst-st.

WANTED, Bricklayer's Labourers, good. Illawarra-rd, near Marrickville station.

WANTED, a strong BOY to break up cases. Rosen Bros., 124 Redfern-st, Redfern. Apply 8 a.m.

WANTED, Plasterer's IMPROVER, also Labourer. R. Clemow, 17 Perry-st, Marrickville.

WANTED, Canvasser on commission for shops, city, fancy line, intvw. Monday. 14 Croydon-rd, C'ydon.

WANTED, smart intelligent LAD, assist in office. Apply N.S.W. Bakery Co., Wellington-st, Waterloo.

WANTED, Rubble Mason, also labour. Apply job, on Park-rd, next to lead works, Blackwattle Bay.

WANTED, a GIRL, leaving school, for office work. Own handw., Wilson, Pechter, Park-st, Alexdr.

WANTED, GROCER'S ASSISTANT, used to horses. Apply J. Preston, 475 King-st, Newtown.

WANTED, Dressmaker, competent, for few days, start to-day. 44 Alberto-terrace, Darlinghurst-rd.

WANTED, an ERRAND BOY, Mrs. Jones, florist, Oxford-st, opposite Paddington Town Hall.

WANTED, BRICKLAYER, for paving yard. Beckett, 49 Forbes-st, Woolloomooloo.

WANTED, a HOOD TRIMMER. Apply H. Hillier, 161 George-st West.

WANTED, a BRIDLE HAND. H. Hillier, 161 George-st West.

WANTED, a Light Harness Maker. Apply H. Hillier, 161 George-st West.

WANTED, a BOY, good wages. Bookstall, Central Railway Station.

WANTED, Drays and Vans to cart coal, T. Gilligan, The Pier, Botany. 'Phone, 91 N. Botany.

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WANTED, smart Youth, for ham and beef shop, elite sub., exp. nec., refs. Provision, Herald Bch.

WANTED, Handy MAN, accustomed horses, for butchery, deviation wks. Deviation, Herald Bch.

WANTED, a first-class BRICKLAYER. 124 Young-st, Redfern.

WANTED, a good TRAVELLER for Northern line; must have another good house; open one week.
S. WALDER,
Tent and Horse Rug Manufacturer, 298 Pitt-street.

WANTED, a YOUNG LADY FLORIST; must be experienced, and competent to take charge. Apply, with copies of references, to HORTON and CO., Seed Merchants, 734 George-street, Haymarket, Sydney.

WANTED, smart LAD for Assistant at Bookstall; good wages; references indispensable. Apply this morning, New South Wales Bookstall Co., 476 George-street.

WANTED, LAD, about 18, as General Assistant in Bakehouse, for Western Country Town, must be able to mould. Apply BOX 147, G.P.O.

WANTED, respectable, well-educated BOY, about 16 years old, for office.
W. H. PALING and CO., Ltd., 338 George-street.

WANTED, AT THE STATE CLOTHING FACTORY, PRESSERS.
Apply to the Manager, 69 Sussex-street, at 9.30 a.m., TO-DAY, FRIDAY. (95-92)

WANTED, smart Youth as LIFT ATTENDANT, experience with electric lift. References,
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WANTED, a Nursery GOVERNESS for Moree, 3 children, assist sewing, £30 per year. Applications with personal references to be sent to J. H., c/o. Comerford, Cramsie, and Co., Moree.

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W. H., Herald Office.

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WANTED, for Fiji, a thoroughly competent ACCOUNTANT and BOOKKEEPER, must be fully qualified to take charge of a large business if required. Application by letter only, enclosing copies of credentials, to
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WANTED,
BOY, for Country Order Department.
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WANTED, Visiting Nurse (A.T.N.A.), Country, £60; 4 General Nurses, Country Hospitals, and W. Australia; Lady Nurses for 2 children, Melbourne, and stations; Nurse for Invalid, suburbs. MISS MACLACHLAN'S Nurses' Bureau for Trained Nurses (A.T.N.A.), R. or V. Tel., 3926 Equitable, 350 George-st.

WANTED, first-class BODICE and SLEEVE HANDS for our Dressmaking Department.
Apply Mr. BROWN, GRACE BROS., THE MODEL STORE, BROADWAY.

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YOUNG BOY, about 14.
CHARLES L. HARRIS, Dentist,
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A COMPT. General, no wash., gas stove, small fam., refs. 453 Alfred-st, opp. Reserve, N. Sydney.

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LOST, Wed., small Memo. Book, in tel. box, G.P.O.; no value exc. to owner. Reward, Herald, Kg.-st.

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LOST, betw. Bradley's Head and Taylor Bay, Gold Trefoil Cable Bangle; rew. Newsag., op. P. Sch., Mosman.

LOST, Snakeskin Purse, ctg. gift from Keep money, rew. ret. 65 Forbes-st, Newtown.

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LOST, Purse, contg. money, Thurs. aftn., Bathurst-st. Finder rewarded. 70 Paddington-st, Paddington.

LOST, Wed. night, Bondi Junc., gold Bangle, K.K. engvd.; reward. Arcoa, Ocean-st, Bondi.

LOST, Monday, Gold-rim Glasses, betw. Hordern's and King-st; rew. Overdale, Carysfort-st, Hurstv.

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